

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Hursley Parish Council meeting

Parish Hall, Hursley

1830 on Monday 12th March 2026

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Present	In attendance	Apologies
Cllr Waldron – Chair of meeting	Cllr Jan Warwick	Elizabeth Billingham (Clerk)
Cllr Gregory	Cllr Brophy	Cllr Hanna
Cllr Chik		Cllr Guest
Cllr Killeen		
Cllr Lowe	Plus 6 members of the public	
Cllr Bell		
Cllr Edgoose		

	<u>Minutes of the meeting of the Hursley Parish Council</u>	<u>Pending Actions</u>
Item	<u>Meeting of the Hursley Parish Council</u>	
25/81	Welcome and apologies	
	Due to Cllr Guests absence Cllr Waldron chaired the meeting. Cllr Waldron welcomed all present and reminded those present on how the meeting would be run. Apologies were received from Cllr Hanna, Cllr Guest.	
25/82	Public Participation	
	CAG there was some discussion on the proposed Terms of Reference and it was felt it might be best to move to the next meeting. It was felt that there needed to be clarity on the role of the CAG. Biodiversity Policy – some added changes were needed and this would be brought to the next meeting. HVCA website – It was noted that the HVCA now had a new website - HVCA/Home.org.uk ACTION Clerk to add link to the website. Residents of Southend Close were holding a meeting with Southern Water regarding the ongoing sewerage, rain and need to pump. The residents wish to find what plans Southern Water have for the future. It was noted that Cllr Edgoose would attend. Neighbourhood Plan – There was some confusion on the Local Plan statement about the Hursley Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Killeen noted that it had been deferred for the time being. I was also noted that the council had agreed a statement at the extraordinary meeting in January and that HPC had an ongoing discussion with WCC. Grant application for the parish magazine – Asked about distributing to Farley Chamberlain – residents. It was agreed that the magazine committee would ensure that those living there would have copies delivered.	Clerk
25/83	Meeting resumed:	

	It was agreed to bring forward the item on shared space on Port Lane so that Cllr Warwick could answer some questions. It was noted that this was briefly mentioned at the OBPC meeting and highlighted trying improve safety especially for cyclists. Cllr Warwick noted that there was a review within Winchester to look at cycling and walking infrastructure and it might be extended out to other areas. She had asked HCC Highways to look at areas such as the blind bends. Cllr Warwick felt signs alone would have little impact.	AGENDA
25/84	To approve the minutes of the last meeting – 12th and 19th January 2026	
	RESOLVED to agree	
25/85	To discuss and agree role of permanent Chair of HPC	
	Proposed that Cllr Guest be the Chair. All agreed. RESOLVED to agree that Cllr Guest was the permanent Chair.	
25/86	Community applause – thanks & appreciation for parishioners who have contributed locally notably since last meeting - To the lady and son who did an incredible job litter picking at Merdon Castle Lane - Martin & Lisa of the King's Head. I know they're running a commercial business, so not 100% altruistic, but they have provided their premises for free to the community several times this year already for HVCA related events as well as storing equipment for us, and continue to come up with innovative nights for the benefit & enjoyment of the community. They've really contributed to Hursley since joining and have really stepped up in recent weeks/months.	
25/87	District Councillor report	
	Cllr Brophy – had sent the report ahead of the meeting. Cllr Brophy wanted to note in particular the Community Governance review underway. Also, the Central Winchester regeneration – Encourage residents to go onto website to see latest vision. It was likely that WCC would become Winchester Town Council – it would have similar powers to parish councils and be financed by precept. Cllr Brophy noted that there were no current grants available but it was hoped there would be from May onwards.	
25/88	County Councillor report	
	Report was sent ahead of the meeting. Cllr Warwick wished to note that the Council were waiting for Central Government to comment on how the re-organisation of the councils would be made and it was believed that this would take place on 28th March.	
25/89	Finance and Council matters	
25/89.1	Matters arising. Item 25/25.1 – Fly tipping – Camera and details are delayed due to ACSO personal reasons. On going ACTION Clerk – Update ACSO has been on bereavement leave but is now back at work and Clerk requested he send a report with the information. AGENDA for next meeting Item 25/43.2 It was noted that Standon pull bus have still not been done completely (where road ceases to be a road and become a bus stop.) Clarity on which bus stopes were affected and it was confirmed that it was Pitt, Standon. IBM – southbound. ACTION – Cllr Waldron Parish Online access for all ACTION Clerk – Sent Item 25/56.3 Cllr Lowe mentioned that some finger signposts at Standon were missing the traditional top circle. Unsure of the cost. ACTION Cllr Lowe had discussed with Cllr Edgoose who would send details to HCC Highways for replacement. Item 25/60.1 Noticeboard ACTION Cllr Waldron to discuss repair with Mr Bunney and to undertake in better weather. This would be completed when the weather was dry.	AGENDA Cllr Waldron
25/89.2	To approve payments	
	RESOLVED to approve	

March 2026					
16-Jan-26	x	B/P to: Swanmore SLR Mgt	OCT NOV DEC	£1,361.50	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: Hampshire County C	HURSLEY PC pension fee	£180.00	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: E Billingham	HURSLEY LENGTHSMAN	£233.32	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: Elan City UK	SO-UK5592	£2,987.99	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: E Billingham	HURSLEY	£660.21	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: E Billingham	EXPENSES	£222.00	
28-Jan-26	x	B/P to: Hampshire County C	Pension	£469.80	
31-Jan-26	x	Service Charge	Fee	£6.00	
03-Feb-26	x	Direct Debit (SCOTTISH WATER BUS)	Cemetery Water	£30.18	
17-Feb-26	x	BDO LLP MAIN ACC	REFUND 003138	£9.00	
24-Feb-26	x	B/P to: Winchester City CI	Dog Bins	£65.00	
24-Feb-26	x	B/P to: E Billingham	HURSLEY	£660.24	
24-Feb-26	x	B/P to: E Billingham	LENGTHSMAN JAN/FEB	£232.00	
24-Feb-26	x	B/P to: Grass & Grounds Lt	Lengthsman scheme	£3,600.00	
24-Feb-26	x	B/P to: Hampshire County C	Pension	£205.90	
28-Feb-2026	x	Service Charge	Fee	£6.00	
3-Mar-2026	x	Direct Debit (SCOTTISH WATER BUS)	Cemetery Water	£30.18	
			Total Paid	£10,941.32	
20-Mar 2026		SLR Jan Feb March		£1,361.50	
20-Mar 2026		Grant Farley Church	Grant	£400.00	
20-Mar 2026		Grant to All Saints church	Parish magazine	£500.00	
20-Mar 2026		Cumbrian Clock	Church clock	£276.00	
20-Mar 2026		I McKenzie HCRS	Rec hedge	£636.00	
20-Mar 2026		I McKenzie HCRS	Fence repair	£716.90	
20-Mar 2026			Total to pay	£3,890.40	
			VAT claim submitted for not yet received	£9,451.22	
			Bank balance as of 16th March	£35,872.96	
			After payments		

25/89.3	To review grant applications - Farley churchyard grant – RESOLVED look into a fence - All Saints / Parish magazine – For 2024/25 £250, 2025/26 £250 and then in 2026/27 £300																																																							
	Farley churchyard grant – RESOLVED to approve once Clerk has checked if HPC can still grant this type of grant. All Saints magazine – RESOLVED to approve £500 now and £300 in next financial year.																																																							
25/89.4	To review and agree Cemetery fees for 2026 <table><tr><th><u>Residents of Hursley or with family connection</u></th><th>Current</th><th>Suggested 10% increase</th><th>SPC</th><th>Bishops Waltham PC</th><th>Bishop -stoke PC</th></tr><tr><td>Burial of Body in Grave (SPC 50% if over 28"</td><td>£420</td><td>£462</td><td>£667</td><td>£605</td><td>£900</td></tr><tr><td>Double depth</td><td>£500</td><td>£550</td><td>£775</td><td>£775</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Triple depth</td><td>£600</td><td>£660</td><td></td><td>£940</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>(To include cost of levelling and turfing)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Burial of Cremated Remains</td><td>£160</td><td>£176</td><td>£380 /dbl£ 460</td><td></td><td>£700</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Sundries – returfing after 1st year</td><td></td><td>£145</td><td>£145</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Suggest increase by 10% - RESOLVED to approve and annually review.	<u>Residents of Hursley or with family connection</u>	Current	Suggested 10% increase	SPC	Bishops Waltham PC	Bishop -stoke PC	Burial of Body in Grave (SPC 50% if over 28"	£420	£462	£667	£605	£900	Double depth	£500	£550	£775	£775		Triple depth	£600	£660		£940		(To include cost of levelling and turfing)												Burial of Cremated Remains	£160	£176	£380 /dbl£ 460		£700							Sundries – returfing after 1 st year		£145	£145			
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25/89.5	To discuss the adoption of Scribe finance and cemetery package.																																																							
	RESOLVED to agree to Scribe set up and system - Accounts and Cemetery package £488 set up and £51 a month Clerk may need some extra hours to set up Cemetery package and will work with Cllr Waldron																																																							
25/89.6	To discuss arrangements for the APM																																																							
	May 5 th Tuesday - Speaker – Vicar – Rev xxxxxxxxx																																																							
25/89.7	To agree to the HPC Biodiversity Policy																																																							
	This was discussed in public session. It was agreed to postpone to the next meeting so that some changes could be made. AGENDA next meeting. ACTION to add Merton Way land and make a few changes such as nesting bird season – bird March – September Clerk to look at HCC and see what they have included.																																																							

25/89.8	To formerly agree to CAG working party/advisory group and agree terms. • To note matter arising Item 25/69 regarding grant for CAG.	
	Agreed to move to the next AGENDA. ACTION Clerk, Chair and Mr Baker to discuss adding further details such as the democratic makeup and definition of the role of the CAG.	Clerk
25/90	Planning and Planning matters	
25/90.1	Matters arising Item 25/71.1 1 Catways ACTION Cllr Guest to discuss with Winchester Tree officer about concerns about alleged illegal felling and request for enforcement. – <i>To note Clerk had notified Enforcement and this was being investigated.</i> Update on the trees – the HCC officer has reviewed the site and it has been agreed that only the Cherry tree was taken down in violation and should be replaced by the owner. The HCC tree planting officer will arrange the replacement and care with the owner. The officer noted that there was not evidence of what the tree looked like but on Street view it clearly showed a mature tree. ACTION Clerk to ask them to ask for a mature replacement.	Clerk
25/90.2	Planning report – To be sent ahead of the meeting. Reference 26/00462/HOU Alternative Reference PP-14679891 Application Received Fri 06 Mar 2026 Application Validated Thu 12 Mar 2026 Address Silkstead Meadow Silkstead Lane Hursley Winchester Hampshire SO21 2LG Proposal Proposed two-storey rear extension, front porch extension, and alterations to existing windows and external fenestration to the existing dwelling. Status Current	
	RESOLVED – No comment Since last meeting the Clerk has been asked to inform Enforcement / Planning about the property opposite South Winchester Golf Course and its supply of cars in front of it and ask if it has commercial planning.	
25/90.3	Winchester Local Plan report.	
	Reports sent ahead of the meeting Waiting for formal adoption – new Local plan starts immediately	
25/90.4	Neighbourhood Plan report	
	No update	
25/91	Regular Reports of Council Representatives	
25/91.1	Parish Hall – Update was sent ahead of the meeting and is on the website.	
25/91.2	Flood report.	
	In absence of Cllr Hanna, Cllr Waldron noted that water levels were dropping. Southern Water tanker at pumping station was pumping and tanker at Southend Close. EA had emailed the HPC about establishing better links again and the Clerk has copied in Cllr Hanna to respond.	
25/92	Highways	
25/92.1	Hampshire Highways report to include any suggestions to make Collins Lane junction safer– Cllr Killeen / Cllr Edgoose	
	No update	
25/92.2	To request Shared Space designation for Port Lane and/or 20/30mph speed limits along its length – this was discussed earlier in the meeting.	
25/92.3	SLR – Data Report – Cllr Killeen and Cllr Edgoose SLR – Additional post still pending	
	The Clerk noted that the four older batteries were no longer holding charge for any length of time. Replacements will be £294.80 each from Swanmore SLR Management. There is currently a two-week lead time for these. Alternatively, we can provide lead acid batteries of the same spec as the other unit uses, these would be £65 each. RESOLVED to replace 4 batteries at £294.80 each.	

	Clerk to redo schedule and review prior to the next meeting. Data graphs were now being supplied by Swanmore SLR which alleviate the need for a Councillor to do it.	
25/93	Recreation Ground & Environment	
25/93.1	Recreation Ground report and actions needed: Report to send ahead of the meeting	
	Matters arising: Item 25/60.3 Recreation Ground information board - Cllr Gregory had sought quotations - quotation for replacement recreation ground signage (£357.16 inc. VAT), which includes a 24% discount. - This is for 3 aluminium signs (2' x 18") with the wording (previously agreed), in a brown colour and white Times New Roman lettering. Each sign comes with 4-point concealed screw fixings. - To reuse the existing backboards and posts which seem to be in reasonable order. Two to be sited on the post at the main entrance; one sited near to the play equipment. RESOLVED to agree – once installed to remind people on What's App and Facebook etc. ACTION Cllr Gregory to contact Clerk to arrange and confirm the order. Item 25/60.4 – Repair/replacement of the rocking horse – ACTION Alex Bell/Clerk - <i>Ordered</i> Item 25/75.7 – Cllr Chik to discuss lighting on path with IBM – Cllr Chik was given different contact details at IBM and would ask about the supply. ACTION Cllr Chik It was noted that IBM or solar supply company might offer a community grant – ACTION Cllr Chik to enquire.	Cllr Gregory Cllr Chik Cllr Chik
25/93.2	Lengthsman Scheme – Report Clerk To add items for next visit – Signs again. Trim the line of vicinity. Item 25/74.3 – Clerk has asked Farley church if they need any work completed by Lengthsman at next visit.	
25/93.3	Footpaths To discuss the bridleway at Silkstead.	
	ACTION Clerk to contact new path officer for reports. Cllr Killeen to provide contact details to the Clerk	
25/94	Cemetery report – Cllr Waldron	
	One burial ash.	
25/95	Allotment report – Cllr Waldron	
	Next meeting 18th May – AGM 5th May – (Tuesday) APM 13th July 14th September (to note this is 2nd Monday) 16th November	