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HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes

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Hambledon Parish Council Meeting on 6th October 2026 at 7.30pm in Hambledon Village Hall.

Present Cllrs Alison Scott-Bishop (Chair), Robin McKeith, Andy Hinde, Sean Sinnott, Michael Goodridge (WBC), Kevin Deanus (SCC/WBC/SWSC).
Catherine Russell (Clerk).

26/116 Questions from Members of the Public (a maximum of 15 minutes)

A representative from Speedwatch attended to request an update on whether the Parish Council's stance on speed limits through the village remains the same as 6 years ago. Six years ago, the PC wrote formally to SCC to request a number of speed limit changes through the village. HPC confirmed that it remains the same and it asks for an update from the SSC Councillor every month. Cllr Kevin Deanus (SCC) provided an update on the progress of the Rural Speed Review, informing that speed strips will start to appear through the village to first analyse the speeds. There will be recommendations from this data and then potential updates from that. HPC continues to request a lowering of speed limits through the village. HPC appreciates the work Speedwatch does.

A representative from the Hambledon Almshouse Committee attended to request funds from the Neighbourhood CIL funds. The total amount needed is £20,000 to improve accessibility to the Almshouses from the road. The Almshouses provide essential affordable housing to the village, easing pressure on WBC's social housing list. It was advised that the Committee first apply to Waverley directly for Strategic CIL as this project could sit well within its criteria. The Clerk will send over any relevant details on how to apply.

26/117 Apologies for Absence - Cllrs Richard Hinxman, Jude Milan, Simon Rhodes, Cllr Jane Austin (WBC/SWSC).

26/118 Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 1st September 2026 were approved and were duly signed.

26/119 Declaration of Interests, no change:

a) Cllr Sean Sinnott: Treasurer, Hambledon Festival Association; Member, Hambledon Community Fund; Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses; Trustee, Henry Smith Charity.
b) Cllr Alison Scott-Bishop: Trustee, Hambledon Almshouses; Member, Hambledon Village Shop Management Committee
c) Cllr Jude Milan: Trustee, Henry Smith Charity. Trustee and Parish Council representative, Hambledon Nursery School; Parish Council representative Hambledon Community Fund.
d) Cllr Andy Hinde: Member of PCC, St Peter's Church, Hambledon.

26/120 Brief Verbal Report from the County Councillor on matters from Surrey County Council (SCC) affecting this Parish.

Cllr Deanus informed the Council that SCC's SEND plan has been approved. Shadow West Surrey meetings are available online should anyone wish to watch the progress. Its new CEO will start on 14th December and the interview process for the 151 Officer (Finance) and Monitoring Officer has begun.

26/121 Brief Verbal Report from the Borough Councillors on matters from Waverley Borough Council affecting this Parish.

Cllr Goodridge informed the Council that there is not much to update from Waverley at the moment as it works towards its closure in April 2027.

26/122 Finance.

- Verbal update on monthly finances and budget update
  - **Bank reconciliation signed**
  - **AGAR is complete and the Audit is complete with no matters to draw attention to**
  - **A new Internal Auditor is needed for next year.**
- To consider, review and readopt the following:
  - Data Protection Policy **APPROVED**
  - Document Retention and Disposal Schedule **APPROVED**
- To confirm councillors have reviewed the Data Privacy Training Sheet. **AGREED**
- Payments approved
  - **Clerk's expenses - £20**
  - **Imprint Colour, Memories of Hambledon reprint - £94**
- Neighbourhood CIL funds - To consider the submitted application for funds from the Almshouses Committee.
  - **HPC is supportive of this project and strategic CIL application. It was AGREED that it would consider matched funding at a later meeting should additional Neighbourhood CIL funding be required.**
  - **The funds from 95 day notice account have been released and so the final £5,620.13 will be sent to the Village Hall Committee and the remaining £4,448.32 will be moved to an instant savings account**
- Henry Smith Charity - verbal update - **None**

26/123 Planning Matters Update

Vann Lane Piggeries / The Bungalow. **No update. HPC will look into reports that public rights of way have been blocked.**

26/124 New Planning Applications

WA/2026/01580 - TULIP COTTAGE 1 WARREN LANE HAMBLEDON GODALMING GU8 4AS Erection of a single storey extension and associated landscaping. **No objection**

WA/2026/01614 HAMBLEDON HOUSE VANN LANE HAMBLEDON GODALMING GU8 4HW Installation of water storage tanks for irrigation with fenced enclosure together with associated works. **HPC has concerns and requests that Thames Water be consulted to assess the potential impact of this project on mains water pressure and supply to the village. HPC also asks whether rainwater harvesting has been explored as an alternative method.**

WA/2026/01641 - FEDWAY PETWORTH ROAD WORMLEY GODALMING GU8 5TR Erection of infill extension to front elevation **No objection**

WA/2026/01740 LAND COORDINATES 496685 140122 HAMBLEDON ROAD HAMBLEDON GODALMING Erection of a dwelling with associated works and creation of a vehicular access**. HPC objects to this application**

26/125 Recent Planning Applications

WA/2026/01373 HYDON RIDGE FEATHERCOMBE LANE HAMBLEDON GODALMING GU8 4DP. **GRANTED**

WA/2026/01350 MERRY HARRIERS PUBLIC HOUSE HAMBLEDON ROAD HAMBLEDON GODALMING GU8 4DR. **GRANTED**

WA/2026/01538 OLIVER COTTAGE THE CRICKET GREEN HAMBLEDON GODALMING GU8 4HF. **PENDING**
TM/2026/01351 TOLT HOUSE 10 THE HYDONS SALT LANE GODALMING GU8 4DD **GRANTED**

It was noted that the Appeal 6011947 Land Centred Coordinates 496520 140620 has been dismissed. HPC is grateful for Cllr McKeith's comprehensive work on the submitted comments to the Planning Inspectorate.

26/126 Village Matters

- Maintenance, village play area, highways, roadworks, hedges/ditches and rights of way.
  - **It was AGREED to spend up to £200 on play bark to replenish the play area surface**
  - **It was AGREED to go ahead with the normal hedge cutting schedule with Colin Rapley**
- Traffic and Speedwatch. **No update**
- Welcome Packs - any new residents known who could receive a village welcome pack. **None known**

26/127 Update from Village Organisations

- Almshouses – **The Committee require funds for various projects**
- Nursery School **– No news**
- Village Hall **– A new door has been installed**
- Hambledon Festival **– The Committee has been disbanded and a new one will be compiled**
- Village Shop **- Still doing quite well**
- St Peter's Church **– The search for a part time vicar continues**

26/128 Reports from outside meetings.
None

26/129 Forthcoming outside meetings.
None

26/130 Correspondence.
None

26/131 Dates of next meetings:

3rd November 2026	2nd March 2027
8th December 2026	
12th January 2027	
2nd February 2027	

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.47