

**Minutes of the Meeting of Hanbury Parish Council (HPC)
Held in the Hanbury Pavilion on Wednesday 5th March 2025.**

Present

Chairman	Mark Bishop (MAB)
Councillors	Tony Johns (TJ)
	Neil Cook (NC)
	Rosie Terry (RT)
	Ian Few (IF)

Also present 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence and to approve reasons for absence. There were no apologies and accepted for Cllrs AB CM, SS RR and Dst Cllr Nick Dawkes.

It was noted that Caroline Marock was stepping back from the Parish Council and the Council gave their thanks for all her hard work and will miss her important input at the meetings. The Clerk will endeavor to find a bookings Clerk for the Pavilion.

2. Declarations of Interest.

a) Register of interests; Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

b) Councillors to declare any other Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

Cllr NC declared an interest in the planning application at Hanbury Hall.

Cllr MAB declared an interest in the payment to himself for Wi-Fi.

c) Councillors to declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.

3. To consider the approval of the minutes from the last Parish Council Meeting that was held on Monday 27th January 2025.

The minutes were approved and signed accordingly as a correct record of the parish council meeting.

Public Question Time

The Parish Council meeting was closed for public question time and reopened after. The water outside the Cross and Hands House and School Road. It was noted that this had been discussed at the January meeting and Barry Barnes from Highways and Cty Cllr Miller had been alerted to this problem already. The Clerk sent an email regarding these facts to BB and TM from WCC. This issue was also reported online.

4. Progress reports from the previous minutes for information.

- The school signs are still awaiting electronic chips to work correctly.

- The lease of the village hall to the village hall management committee had been sent to Tim Harper for review.
- The Clerk has contacted A Hope for a quote to inspect the trees in the Parish as soon as possible.
- PCSO V Elliott would check recent speed tests in Hanbury to see if a Community Speed Watch Scheme would be suitable. Clerk has contacted PCSO and an update is awaited.

5. Correspondence received to date:

- Webinar on health and wellbeing
- Parish and Town conference Wychavon
- Grant funding information from TP Wychavon
- Pavilion car park issue re deep gravel from Cllr CM

6. County and District Councillors Reports:

6.1 County Cllr Tony Miller.

- TM updated the Council on the progress of the unitary authority at WCC.
- He also noted that the County Council elections would be taking place in May.
- TM would follow up the issue of the water on School Road/Cross in Hands as discussed in PQT.
- County hall will not be reopened as it is not a cost effective option.
- WCC Council tax is set to rise by 4.9%

6.2 District Cllr Nick Dawkes sent his apologies.

7. Planning:

7.1. Plans for consideration by the Council. All plans are available on the Wychavon website.

Application Number : W/24/01624/HP

Location: The Byre, Goosehill Lane, Broughton Green, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EH

Description of Proposal: Reposition of access.

The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

7.2 Planning applications approved by Wychavon.

Planning Ref: W/25/00155/AGR

Proposal Prior notification for a new agricultural building

Location: Park Farm, Feckenham Road, Hanbury, BROMSGROVE, B60 4DH

Planning Ref: W/24/02152/LB

Proposal: Reinstate the Eastern wall adjoining the Orangery after a partial collapse, utilising the existing bricks where possible and to the original form.

Location: Hanbury Hall, School Road, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EA

8. To Receive Reports and discuss matters regarding.

8.1 Village Hall Management Committee

The VHMC are due to meet and discuss the lease for the village hall as supplied by Cllr MAB.

It was noted that at the current time, the damp in Byways appeared to be improving and the situation is being monitored.

8.2 Tree inspections around the parish is being organized by the Clerk and Gary Gartland will also accompany Adrian Hope identify all the Parish Trees.

8.3 Pavilion Committee

- Purchase of new chairs for the pavilion. Cllr MAB agreed to investigate suitable seating for the pavilion which the Council will purchase.

8.4 Playground update.

- The playground is still not open to the public. When the grass is established, then it will be opened up. The final payment is to be paid later in the year.
- Cllr RT will arrange the agreed improvements to the overflow car park at her convenience.
- Inspection of the three play areas will take place in March and cost £240
- It was noted that the changing rooms were muddy after being used by the playground installers and the Clerk will contact Chris Cooke to ask if he would jet wash them prior to the cleaners attending.
- Cllr IF has contacted the stunning tent company for a quote for a canvas cover for shade at the side of the play area.
- TJ and MAB submitted quotes for the upgrading of the overspill car park, the improvement to the initial entrance to the play area from the car park and for a canvas shaded area to Wychavon and it had been agreed that these items could be purchased as part of the Community Legacy Grant as previously agreed by Wychavon.
- It was also agreed to ensure that the hedge between the play area and the road would be laid and fenced. RT to liaise to arrange this.
- Bins as previously agreed to be installed by Wychavon. (2 dog waste bins and 4 large bins)

8.5 Recreation ground

- Nothing was raised.

8.6 Councillor for overseeing social media for HPC

- Apologies were received from SS.

8.7 Planters

- Currently D Goode, J Bottrill and D Plummer arrange for the planters to be tended to. D Plummer is unable to continue and D Lowe has been asked if he will take this over.

9. Finance

9.1 Payments

The following finance expenditure was noted as approved.

Clerk Salary, tax and pension for January 2025	Confidential
R Burnett Cleaning of Pavilion (every 2 weeks) 14/2/25 and 28/2/25	£42
Eon – Electricity at the pavilion for January 2025	£233.18
EE Ltd Mobile phone monthly DD	£19.07
Chris Cooke Litter pick for January 2025	£60
Chris Cooke Parish Lengthsman work January 2025	£682.80
Oakland Air Control Ltd – Annual maintenance	£218.40
Donations to Hanbury Herald magazine issues 92 and 93	£1300
Repayment of wifi money to MAB	£265.92

Water Plus Bill to February 2025
Planter donations to D Goode, J Botterill.

£47.62
£50

9.2 Finance meeting update and date was arranged for April 23rd 2025 at 11.30 to examine end of year finances.

9.4 Discussion regarding Wi-Fi payments for the pavilion. It was noted that Cllr MAB had been paying for the Wi-Fi at the pavilion for several years. It was agreed to reimburse MAB for two years at £11.08 which totaled £256.92

9.5 Phone arrangements.

The Wi-Fi SIM would be added to the Council mobile phone contract and the Clerk is to arrange that the phone contract is transferred to a business account as it is currently in her name.

10 Parish Lengthsman (PL) and parish maintenance issues.

The Clerk noted that there was a surplus of around £1500 to claim for the PL scheme and Chris Cooke had been alerted to that fact and any one-off PL jobs would be done by the end of March 2025.

11 Highways and any Police matters:

11.1 To discuss any highways issues/accidents reported locally.

11.2 To discuss any Police matters.

It was noted that there had been 11 burglaries in Tibberton

12 Parish Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

- Cllr MAB noted that the progress with the mobile mast was slow but there were currently 2 sites under discussion at Wynnstay and at the Archery Club field.

13 Date of next meeting

March 31, Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council

April 28th to follow the Annual Parish Meeting.

May 19th Annual Parish Council Meeting 2025

June 30th Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.

July 28th Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.

No meeting in August.

September 29th Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.

Abbreviations

ABCC – Astwood Bank Cricket Club
CC – Chris Cooke – Parish Lengthsman
Cty Cllr – County Councillor
Dst Cllr - District Councillor
HPC – Hanbury Parish Council
RG – Recreation ground
VHMC – Village Hall Management Committee

HPC Councillors

MAB – Mark Bishop, NC – Neil Cook, TJ - Tony Johns, IF – Ian Few,
RT – Rosie Terry, RR - Roy Raxter, SS Sarah Sproule. AB - Ange Burnett.
CM Caroline Marock
AM – County Councillor A Miller
ND – District Councillor N Dawkes

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