Minutes of the Meeting of Hanbury Parish Council (HPC) Held in the Hanbury Pavilion on Monday 29th September 2025.

Present

Chairman	Cllr Johns (TJ)
Councillors	Cllr Bishop (MAB)
	Cllr Burnett (AB)
	Cllr Cook (NC)
	Cllr Few (IF)
	Cllr Raxter (RR)
	Cllr Sproule (SS)
	Cllr J Williams (JW)
	Cllr R Terry (RT)

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence and to approve reasons for absence.
There were no apologies for absence.

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. There were no declarations of interest.
c) Councillors to declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
There were no declarations of interest.
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.
There were no dispensations.

3. To consider the approval of the minutes from the last Parish Council Meeting that was held on Monday 28th July 2025

The minutes were approved and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

Public Question Time

The Parish Council meeting is closed for public question time and reopened after.

The time allocated is at the discretion of the council/chairman. Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for further consideration at the discretion of the chairman. Members of the public may not take part in the parish council meeting itself. This period is not part of the formal meeting; brief notes will be appended to the minutes as an aide memoire.

4. Progress reports from the previous minutes for information.

The Council thanked Rosie and Ed Terry for the work on the path around the Recreation Ground which had been done free of charge, it was noted as a very generous gift to the Parish.

It was noted that the white lines on the new road surface near the Village Hall were still awaited.

5. Correspondence received to date:

- Footpath closure
- Information on lighting at Village Hall and Pavilion
- M5 – Junction 6 closure notice.
- Park that bike project for Parish Councils.
- Bromsgrove District Council plan
- Road closure notice – Pumphouse lane.
- Fraud advice – West Mercia
- Calc health and wellbeing newsletter for September.

6. County and District Councillors Reports:

6.1 County Cllr Tony Miller (TM) noted that the highways budget was to be cut by 12 million pounds which would be detrimental to the roads.
County Cllr Tony Miller noted that the bus on demand service was due to commence from April 2026 which would help people avoid waiting in cold weather. More details are to follow.
It was noted that TM had £500 he would like to use to benefit the Council and the Council asked that TM investigate the possibility of gradual warning signs for the change in speed on the Droitwich Road from 60mph to 30mph be installed.
Please also note item 10.2

6.2 District Cllr Nick Dawkes was not present at the meeting.

7. Planning:

7.1. Any plans that arrive prior to the meeting and that need urgent consideration may be discussed at this point. All plans are available on the Wychavon website.

Application Number: W/25/01524/HP
Location: Woolmere House, Droitwich Road, Hanbury, Bromsgrove, B60 4DD
Description of Proposal: Conversion of part of existing detached garage/store to ancillary annexe accommodation, erection of boundary fence.
There were no objections received to this application.

Application Number: W/25/02048/AGR
Location: Goose Hill Farm, Goosehill Lane, Broughton Green, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EH
Description of Proposal: Prior notification for new agricultural storage building and egg store
There were no objections although the Council noted that there was no sketch of the proposed buildings or details of materials to be used.

7.2 Planning applications approved by Wychavon

Planning Ref: W/25/01412/FUL Associated Ref: W/24/01401/FUL
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission W/24/01401/FUL (Erection of a Replacement Industrial Building for Class B2 (General Industrial) & Class B8 (Storage or Distribution) Purposes)
Location: The Warehouse, Droitwich Road, Hanbury, B60 4DD

7.3 Planning application – Withdrawn

Planning Ref: W/25/01777/CLE
Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of a building for Class Use B2 metal fabrication works. Use of associated hardstanding for mixed B2 and agricultural purposes
Location: Park Farm, Feckenham Road, Hanbury, B60 4DH

8. To Receive Reports and discuss matters regarding.

8.1 Village Hall Management Committee

- It was noted that electrical works have been done at Byways.
- The gate at the back of the Village Hall needs to be repaired.
- The drains around Byways are noted as blocked and a quote was awaited and will be sent to RT for her opinion.

8.2 Tree inspections around the parish.

- #88506. Report to WCC alerting them a tree opposite Doe Bank in road verge is dead and may become a hazard.
- Clerk to chase up the work to be done on the trees around the parish.

8.3 Pavilion Committee

- HPC to organize lighting repairs around the pavilion.
- Heating service is due.
- Loo facilities – it was noted that the cistern may need replacing for a better quality cistern. RT to ask plumber to look and assess.
- Provision of sanitary bins to be investigated.

8.4 Recreation ground

- Circular picnic table noted as needing to be removed (12 years old) The Council agreed not to replace this item. It was agreed to leave the benches.
- CC and TJ met with Play scheme to look at a few issues on the play area. There are some outstanding items that CC could rectify and the Clerk will discuss with Playscheme.
- PD Hughes visited the play area 23 September and will send over their quote for quarterly inspections.

8.5 Memorial Gardens
There was nothing to report.

8.6 Hanbury Co-ordination Group update.
The notes sent are attached to the bottom of these minutes.

9. Finance Appendix A

9.1 Monies received to the Parish Council this month.

VAT return 2024-5	£22,750.51
Wychavon DC Precept and Grant pt2 25-26	£17,500

9.2 Payments requested and submitted to the Parish Council
To consider payments to be made as on the attached list.

Clerk salary and pension for September 2025	Confidential
HMRC Clerk tax and NI for July, Aug and Sept 2025	Confidential
B and L fencing. Fencing around play area final.	£2700.30
Water Plus. Water bill	£163.90
Eon Next, Electricity Pavilion	£70.14
Rebecca Barnett. Pavilion cleaning 29/8 and 12/9	£44
Lloyds Bank service Charge	£4.67
EE Sim for Pav and Clerk phone	£33.29
Wychavon Additional bin empty rec over summer	£8.99
PKF Littlejohn Audit fees	£756
Chad and Co payroll for 25/26	£375
Lloyds Bank Service charges	£4.25
S Franklin Village Hall windows	£6450
McAfee computer protection annual	£109.99

Items paid for August 2025

B and L fencing Fencing around play area part 2	£2125.50
D.J.S Heating and plumbing. Pavilion	£192
Chris Cooke inv 6835. PL June	£227.40
Chris Cooke inv 6834. RG	£60
Chris Cooke inv 6833. PL May	£519
Chris Cooke inv 6832. PL April	£303
Chris Cooke inv 6831. Litter picks	£96
Chris Cooke inv 6830. Litter picks	£120
E Evans, Pav supplies and hourly rate	£77.95
AI media. SSL certificate	£35
Rebecca Barnett. Pavilion cleaning 15/8 and 1/8	£44
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EE Sim for Pav and Clerk phone	£33.29
Eon next Electricity Pavilion	£48.73
Lloyds Bank Service Charge	£4.67

9.3 Finance meeting 13th August 2025 report for the first quarter of the year, minutes approved as a correct record and signed accordingly.
Finance meeting to be held on 17th October 2025 for the second quarter and the budget for 2025-26.

9.4 Bank reconciliation to end August 25 £34316.13

10 Parish Lengthsman and parish maintenance issues.

10.1 Parish Maintenance.
An abandoned car was noted on Forest Lane.
Bins on Droitwich Road needed emptying
White lines near Village Hall need installing after work done.
Chris to clear area by the pavilion (entrance to recreation ground)
A fallen tree on School Road has been moved to the road hedge during storms.

10.2 Parish Lengthsman scheme
AM/CC/BB met by the school to look at the ditches.
Drainage by Leasowes Farm is an ongoing issue
AM agreed to look at the drainage issue on School Road by Oakhaven and the Cross in Hands bungalow again. All the manholes on the main Droitwich Roadat this junction are full of soil and need emptying. Clerk sent AM the relevant video on this issue.
VAS are working well.

11 Highways and any Police matters:

11.1 To discuss any highways issues/accidents reported locally.
NC noted there was water coming down Astwood Land and AM had said it was from the National Trust. AM to report this as NC says it is not National Trust land issue.
Cllr AB noted that the speed vehicles were still attending in Hanbury as the speeds were continuing to be too high in the village.

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.
The Council noted that they would like an additional VAS if budgets allowed.

13 Date of next meeting

The Clerk to Hanbury Parish Council is C Shinner and can be contacted on clerk@hanburyparishcouncil.gov.uk or c/o Eggthorne Cottage, Loggerheads Lane, Hanbury. WR9 7EB 07961296369

2025
November 24th - Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.
No meeting in December.
2026
January 19th Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.
February 23rd 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
VHMC – Village Hall Management Committee

Actions from this HPC meeting – September 2025

Person responsible highlighted in red

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Co-ordination Group – List of upcoming events in village and nearby

Hanbury Church

Worcestershire and Dudley Historic Churches Ride and Stride - cycle, walk or drive
Saturday 13 September - all day - see their website for details

Ballard Singers Concert in Hanbury Church
Saturday 13 September at 7 pm - Cheese and wine - tickets £10

Stoke Prior Steam Rally - Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 September from 8 am - Behind the Navigation

Stoke Works and Hanbury RBL at Stoke Works Social Club - Thursday 25 September at 2 pm - raffle, refreshments and an entertainment - a thank you to all supporters

Harvest Festival in church - informal service - Sunday 12 October at 10.30 am - refreshments

Remembrance Day Commemorations - 10 am? at the village memorial with SW&H RBL and church service to follow at 10.30/50 am (without RBL)

Crib Service - Sunday 14 December at 10.30 am tbc

Carol Service in church - Sunday 21 December at 3/3.30 pm tbc

Christmas Day Family Holy Communion - Thursday 25 December at 10/10.30 am tbc

Hanbury Herald

Christmas Fayre which will be a joint effort with the village hall committee on Saturday 29th November 3-6pm.

Hanbury Village Hall

Quiz – Saturday 1st November - 7 for 7.30pm start

Hanbury History Group

Thursday 25 September Robert Dudley, Queen Elizabeth 1 and the Kenilworth Entertainment of 1575- Gillian White

Thursday 28 November The Great British Tresure Hunt – Dr Susheela Burford

Jinney Ring

As they are working towards closure in January, they don't have anything for the co-ordination group this time.

No replies were received from Hanbury Hall, Hanbury Brownies, Friends of Hanbury School or Cricket Club.