

**Minutes of the Meeting of Hanbury Parish Council (HPC)
Held in the Hanbury Pavilion on Monday 23rd February 2025.**

Present

Chairman	Cllr Johns (TJ)
Councillors	Cllr Cook (NC)
	Cllr Raxter (RR)
	Cllr Bishop (MB)
	Cllr Burnett (AB)
	Cllr Holdsworth (JH)
	Dst Cllr Dawkes (ND)
	Cty Cllr Miller (AM)

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence and to approve reasons for absence.
There were apologies for absence from I Few, R Terry and S Sproule.

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 19th January 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.

No actions from the January 2026 meeting.

5. Correspondence received to date:

- SWDPR Main Modifications Consultation Event
- Calc newsletter
- Wychavon invitation to take part in the Government consultation on Local Government Reorganisation in Worcestershire.

6. County and District Councillors Reports:

6.1 County Cllr Tony Miller.

- The WCC budget is to be set at an estimated 9% increase.
- The Parish Lengthsman budget has been retained for the Parishes.

6.2 District Cllr Nick Dawkes.

- The SWDPR is to be ratified at the end of March will is anticipated to help the planning process.

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/26/00105/HP

Location: Temple Broughton Farm, Harmans Hill, Broughton Green, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EF

Description of Proposal: Gates to Drive; Terrace frame to garden; Extended parking and turning area

There were no objections to this application.

Application Number : W/26/00043/LB

Location: Temple Broughton Farm, Harmans Hill, Broughton Green, Hanbury, Droitwich Spa, WR9 7EF Description of Proposal: Works to include minor changes to windows, minor alterations internally, repair of staircase and repointing of house.

There were no objections to this application.

Application Number - W/26/00100/GPDQ

Location; Park Field Feckenham Road Hanbury Bromsgrove B60 4DH

Description of proposal: Notification for Prior Approval for the proposed change of use of an Agricultural Building to 1 no. Dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion.

There were no objections to this application.

7.2 Planning applications approved by Wychavon

Planning Ref: W/25/02757/PIP

Location: Permission in Principle for the development of up to 3 dwellings Land at (OS 9645 6330), Hanbury Road.

7.3 Planning appeal approved

Inspector's Decision Notice and Costs Decision for W/24/00576/AGR- Holmes Farm, Holmes Lane.

8. To Receive Reports and discuss matters regarding.8.1 Village Hall Management Committee and Byways8.2 Tree inspections around the parish.8.3 Pavilion

- Ross Harris from Northeast Worcestershire First Responders asks that the Parish allow him a space to park and to also have a box fitted to the Pavilion/Village Hall with a power outlet, in order that they can continue their work as a charity attending 999 calls. See attached emails. This would entail the cost on installing an external socket (with lock) to the Parish Council. The Council agreed to the installation of the box by the first responders and the Council will obtain a quote for the installation of an external socket.
- It was noted that bookings in the pavilion were steadily rising although it was still operating on a loss of £1500-£2000 per year. An advert to be placed in the Herald re availability.
- It was noted that the Pavilion had been using some borrowed tables from the Village Hall. It was agreed that the Village Hall could have them back at any time and the usefulness of the tables was appreciated.

8.4 Recreation ground

- Playground inspection report passed to CC for action
- Annual Rospa play safety check 3 areas £83 is to be completed in March 2026.
- RT has submitted a quote for the restoration of the car park at the village hall. (Please note that there is still £15k in a Wychavon fund for the recreation ground project which the Parish Council can only access for the car park - once the landscaping at the front of the recreation ground and the hedge on the side of the B4091 has been laid)
- Rent of football pitch. An approach for the use of the football pitch has been received. The Council agree that a 3-month trial period at £100 a month should be offered and then reconsidered at the end of May 2026.
- Seed on the outfield from ABCC donation request. The Council noted they were financially unable to donate to this expense.
- Hedge laying, this will need to be actioned in September 2026.
- It was noted that the potholes needed a solution and a staged approach to these repairs was agreed although the Clerk needs to agree this with the CLG grant providers in Wychavon.

9. Finance Appendix A9.1 Monies received to the Parish Council this month.

Pavilion bookings AC	£450
WCC Lengthsman reimbursement	£222.75
Pavillion booking Countryside show	£31.25
Pavillion booking Private hire KT	£30
Pavillion booking Tai Chi	£90
Pavillion booking Countryside show	£25
Pavillion booking Tuesday art	£180

Pavillion booking Private hire AG

£80

9.2 Payments requested and submitted to the Parish Council

To consider payments to be made as below.

A-Z Skips Ltd Hire of skip for mixed waste from village hall car park	£222.00
Eon Next electricity supply to Pavilion for January 2026 (dd 17/2/26)	£193.90
Chris Cooke Parish Lengthsman work for August 2025	£319.20
Chris Cooke Parish Lengthsman work for September 2025	£383.10
Chris Cooke Parish Lengthsman work for October 2025	£331.20
Chris Cooke Litter picking – June- September 2025	£96
Chris Cooke Litter picking – Oct- December 2025	£72
Chris Cooke Litter picking – January 2026	£144
Oakland Service of the pavilion heating system	£TBC
Water Plus water charges for pavilion for Jan 26	£8.26
Rebecca Barnett Pavilion cleaning 13/2/26	£22
EE phone charges for February 2026 (dd 16/2/26)	£33.29
Clerk Salary, HMRC and Pension February 26, 2026	Confidential
Lloyds bank service charge Jan 26	£4.25
Wychavon bin emptying dog bin courts close	£116.84
Wychavon Council tax June 2025 Byways	£10.76

9.3 Bank reconciliation to end January 2025 was noted as £19, 648.41

9.4 The finance committee had met and examined the reconciliations, budget v actual, receipts and invoices for the third period of the year. The Council note that reserve funds are low due to increased expenditure this year on the Village Hall and the fences around the play area.
The internal auditor is to meet with the Clerk to examine this years finances prior to the external audit.

10 Parish Lengthsman and parish maintenance issues.

10.1 Parish Maintenance. Nothing to note.

10.2 Parish Lengthsman scheme. Chris was working on using the remainder of the WCC allocation.

11 Highways and any Police matters:

11.1 To discuss any highways issues/accidents reported locally.

The matter of speeding around the School was brought up by a member of the public. Cty Cllr A Miller agreed to perform a safety audit and also to ask BB to look into the possibility of siting a VAS on School Road. It was noted that the 20MPH on the speed signs were advisory and that the actual speed limit was 40 MPH.

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.

MAB noted that there had been no progress on the mobile phone improvements with ATLAS. Clerk/AM to contact RS at WCC to see if they could be part of a new project.

13 Date of next meeting

March 30th 2026

April 27th 2026

May 26th 2026

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

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, JH – Jo Holdsworth

RT – Rosie Terry, RR - Roy Raxter, SS Sarah Sproule. AB - Ange Burnett.

AM – County Councillor A Miller

ND – District Councillor N Dawkes