

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD
IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 6th November 2025 AT 7.00 PM.**

Present: Mr N. Tiffin (Chairman).
Mr T. Dawson
Ian Williams
Tony Lloyd

Apologies: - Dick Cobb (Vice Chair), Wendy Kitchener (Clerk)

1. The Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of 6th November were agreed. Proposed by Tony Dawson and seconded by Ian Williams.

2. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda:

Village Voice – A proposal from the new village voice committee has been reviewed, we voted and approved the purchase of a printer (paid by HPC which is to remain the property of HPC but operated and funded solely by the VV voice team at their own cost. A letter will be sent to them to outline this and payment of £680.04 will be made afterwards. HPC want to wish the new team well with the venture initial signs and first publications look very promising.

3. Correspondence: Nothing to report.

4. Finance

Due to the Clerks absence, we have restricted accounts, we have had a meeting and finances will be fully updated by the January meeting. Cheques continue to be cleared and business is as normal

5 *Planning consultation Glebe House New Inn Road Hinxworth Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5HB Ref. No: 25/02408/FP 4 new dwellings* - This has been granted conditional approval

6. Highways:

The hedges around Horse Field and the 30 MPH sign have been trimmed back, the parish Council would like to thank Ian Hale for doing this. We continue to put pressure on the district council to maintain these on a continual basis but it is very difficult to get action

The Missing Bins: We are still missing bins in the high street and urge Tom Tyson is aware of this.

The Drains in the High Street: We have requested these be unblocked ASAP as the winter will be on us and they are blocked

As we are into the winter months now the road approaching the allotments off Francis rd. is still not great, we have requested to Settle to address this but they are not responding to our request, we will write to them again this month to see if they have a plan to address the large holes in the road

7. Village Hall:

Still awaiting samples to review flooring options going forward.

The fund-raising race night event in the village hall last month was a great success and congratulations to all involved on the committee plus Simon and Susan Cheshire for their work in running and organising this.

8. Recreation Ground: David Eddell has now completed the work around the Children's play area and the tennis court. Fence repairs, gate repairs and the bench refurbished are amongst the work done. We would like to thank David for this and we are due an inspection the coming month.

9. The Tennis Court see above

10. Allotments: The new water catchment scheme is working well especially with the weather being as it is. Also some hedge reduction cleaning up is due over the coming months to allow more light into certain plots. This work will be carried out by allotmenters.

11. Any Other Urgent Business: Nothing

12. The Date of the Next Meeting: The next Parish Council Meeting will take place at 7pm on the 8th January 2026

The meeting closed at 19.26 pm