

HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council held on
Tuesday 3rd March 2026 Church Hall Horsley Woodhouse at 7.00pm

48/26 Present

K Seals (Chair), J Whitmore (Vice-Chair), S McGuinness, A James, L Higgins, M McGuinness, S Till
and A Miller

Clerk H Varty

Borough Councillor L Pizzev

No members of the public

49/26 Public Participation

Cllr Pizzev confirmed the domestic food waste collections have now started and will be going on a waste collection.

Cllr Pizzev advised full council at AVBC voted the local plan through.

Council tax rates have been reviewed at 2.99 increase at AVBC and 4.9% at DCC.

Cllr Pizzev confirmed that pot holes and drains have started to be cleared.

Cllr Till wanted to pass on his thanks to the Police following an increase of visible presence in the village.

50/26 Apologies

None.

51/26 Variation of Order of Business

None.

52/26 Declaration of Members Interests

RESOLVED: Declaration of members interests will be taken as they occur in the meeting.

53/26 To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the agenda should be taken with public excluded.

None.

54/26 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd February 2026

Proposed by Cllr Higgins and seconded by Cllr Whitmore.

55/26 Matters arising

None.

56/26 Play Inspections

- a) The clerk confirmed the dog waste bags have been received and will be available for people to ask a Parish Councillor to hand out. It was also agreed to purchase some signs to put up around the village to highlight and promote keeping Horsley Woodhouse clean and free from

dog fouling.

It was agreed the Scouts can use Sitwell Recreation ground to host one of their events. The clerk will arrange for the strimming of the Parish Council maintained grass verges in the village to be cut.

b) Horeston Recreation Ground

Cllr Till reported that the rotator is wobbling and himself and Cllr Miller will investigate. Cllr Till will also investigate the possibility of purchasing some tyre or sensory boards.

c) Sitwell Recreation Ground

Cllr Till informed Councillors that the roundabout is slightly warped and gaps to be filled. The rotator needs re-greasing. The zipline may need tightening again and Cllr Till will look at the prices to replace one of the swings with an adult seat.

57/26 Planning

Planning-Review any applications received

Our Ref: AVA/2026/0049

Proposal:

Dwelling house first floor extension and internal alterations

Development Type:

Householder

Location:

Oakholt 24 Wood Lane Horsley Woodhouse Ilkeston Derbyshire DE7 6BN

No objections from Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

58/26 Finance

- a) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed to the payments below.
- b) The clerk a payment of £0.03p will be credited to the bank account as the final total was £29.97 and a payment of £30 was originally made.
- c) The clerk informed there was a banking error with Barclays bank in December 2025 that meant some payments were duplicated which included x2 £20 being sent to the Church Hall. This month a payment of £4 will be made and not £24.
- d) The clerk confirmed the DALC invoice has been received for the annual membership of 508.58 and £758.58 for the advanced membership.
- e) It was resolved for the clerk to purchase the domain name at a cost of \$9.99.

Payment Type	Reason for Payment	Amount £
H Varty	Salary	
H Varty Expenses	Wfh allowance	
Church Hall	Room Hire	4
Bus Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	40.51
L Higgins Microsoft	Company Package	12.10
Total		662.08

59/26 Horsley Woodhouse Community Association Grant request

RESOLVED: Cllr Higgins declared an interest and did not participate in discussions or voting. The Parish Council received a revised grant request of £1612.95 for the community events and the purchase of a gazebo. The original budget was set for £1200 and a vote for the revised amount to include the purchase of the gazebo was taken and all but Cllr Till voted in favour for the revised amount. The revised amount was received due to the Parish Council previously agreeing to be open to any future help the HWCA needed. Cllr Till wanted to explore the possibility of grants for the

purchase of the gazebo and noted that the original request was for £1200.

60/26 Appoint Internal Audit

RESOLVED: To appoint K Howe at a cost of £300.00.

61/26 Main Street and Church Lane Road Signs

IN PROGRESS: Cllr James confirmed the road signs have been down for a couple of years, and he has phoned AVBC to discuss. Cllr James has been contacted by Dave Shaw from AVBC to confirm the signs will be put up as soon as possible. Cllr James will continue to monitor.

62/26 Assertion 10 Update

IN PROGRESS: The clerk confirmed a new assertion will be introduced to the 2025/26 AGAR relating to GDPR. Cllr Till found some free GDPR training with the ICO and the clerk will investigate if this meets the requirements.

63/26 National Grid Chesterfield to Willington online meetings update

IN PROGRESS: A new proposed route from National Grid has been announced today and there are 3 online meetings to attend with further information. To discuss further at the next meeting.

64/26 New Parish Council Forum discussion

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Whitmore confirmed more details will be sent to the clerk.

65/26 Discuss future of the British Legion Building

Cllr Higgins informed that a meeting with the British Legion representative took place on February 24th and a meeting with a surveyor will take place on March 9th. Cllr Higgins explained the procedures for purchasing the land under the Charities Act and the chance of the Parish Council purchasing the land. The options of applying for a grant to purchase the land were discussed and the possibility of using the land as a car charging point for electric cars.

66/26 To discuss Public Transport services transfer to EMCCA

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Till will send previous correspondence relating to the bus service to the EMCCA.

67/26 To discuss Amber Valley Borough Council SHELAA Review-Notification of the call for sites 2026

The clerk confirmed correspondence has been received and circulated to Councillors.

68/26 Speed Indicator Device-Update on data and license renewal

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Higgins has completed a review of the Speed Indicator Device data and circulated to Councillors. Between 12 and 6 am were identified as times exceeding 30mph. The volume of traffic between 4 and 7pm were also identified as higher.

69/26 Speedwatch

IN PROGRESS: A new date will be set now the weather is warming up.

70/26 Councillor Vacancies

IN PROGRESS: The clerk confirmed no applications have been received.

71/26 Event Planning 2026 including the memorial sculpture

IN PROGRESS: To be carried forward to the next meeting.

72/26 Wudhus News – Review Content

The next edition deadline was confirmed for March 20th and Cllr Miller to gather articles to be sent over.

73/26 Correspondence

The clerk advised that they have today received correspondence from AVBC regarding appointing Lambert Smith Hampton to undertake a Green Belt Review. Cllr M McGuinness to respond.

74/26 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7th April 6.45pm Annual Parish
Meeting and 7pm Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 5th May 7pm

Tuesday 2nd June 7pm

Tuesday 7th July 7pm