

HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of Meeting of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at Horsley Woodhouse British Legion Hall at 7.00pm

**202/25 Present**

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

Clerk H Varty

Borough Councillors L Pizzey and Borough Councillor A Paget

No members of the public

**203/25 Public Participation**

Cllr Paget updated Councillors that the local consultation of the local plan is due on 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Cllr Paget advised that National Grid is due to have a consultation to discuss how the future consultations to be run.

Cllr Pizzey informed that a Speedwatch session has taken place.

**204/25 Apologies**

Councillor R Morgan and M McGuinness

**205/25 Variation of Order of Business**

None

**206/25 Declaration of Members Interests**

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

**207/25 To determine which items if any from Part I of the agenda should be taken with public excluded.**

None

**208/25 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025**

Proposed by Cllr Whitmore and seconded by Cllr James with minor amendments.

**209/25 Matters arising**

Cllr S McGuinness to confirm with Notts and Derby company that the bus service will available for another year. Once confirmed Cllr S McGuinness will put notices on the bus stops.

**210/25 Recreation Matters**

**a) Play Inspections**

Cllr Till advised that himself and Cllr James replaced the swing at Horeston.

**b) Horeston Recreation Ground**

Cllr Till has been asked by a member of the public as to why a swing seat for a small child is not available. Cllr Till to investigate replacing one of the regular seats.

c) **Sitwell Recreation Ground**

Cllr Till advised the Sitwell needs to be pressure washed and it was agreed to do this before the Remembrance service. Cllr Till also advised that the zip line may need tightening and the roundabout has started to wobble.

**211/25 Planning**

Our Ref: AVA/2925/0587

**Proposal:**

Proposal of housing

**Location:**

Land east of Horsely/south of Woodhouse Rd

Cllr S McGuinness confirmed that Cllr M McGuinness has attended a local meeting to discuss the planning application. It has been confirmed that the deadline for comments has been extended.

**212/25 Finance**

- a) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed to the payments below.
- b) It was also resolved to pay the clerk £20 for the purchase of the Remembrance Wreath.

<b>Payment Type</b>	<b>Reason for Payment</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
H Varty	Salary	
H Varty Expenses	Wfh allowance	
British Legion	Room Hire	20
Bus Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	40.51
L Higgins Microsoft	Company Package	12.36
Dawson Print	Wudhus News	505.00
Max Blackwell Garden	Strimming in Village	230.00
Kompan	Recreation ground equipment	201.12
Countrywide	Grass cutting	4074.00
Church cemetery	Grant request	1100.00
PKF	External Audit	252.00

**213/25 Consultation on Public Spaces Protection Order Across Amber Valley**

No comment to be made by Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council.

**214/25 Community Governance Review-Initial Consultation**

**RESOLVED:** It was resolved to make comments to include the whole of Wood Lane to be included in the Parish. For Main Road Smalley to be removed from the Parish (Stainsby House) and St John's Road to be removed from the Parish. It was agreed for Cllr Till to respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

**215/25 Grant Policy Review**

**IN PROGRESS:** It was agreed to be rolled over to the next meeting in Cllr M McGuinness' absence.

**216/25 Internal audit findings review and conclusion of external audit**

**RESOLVED:** The clerk confirmed the external audit report has been received and no further findings apart from the matters raised in the internal audit have been found. The clerk has spoken to the Wudhus News editor to agree how to make the historic honorarium payment

going forward.

**217/25 Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Cllr Till attended the meeting. Cllr Till gave feedback to the Highways department that speed limits are not always clear and is waiting to hear back. Cllr Till also informed Councillors that there was a talk about the proposed changes to local government and a presentation to the Police Crime Commissioner. Councillors discussed advertising in the Wudhus News what services are available at DCC.

**218/25 Purchase of parking signs review**

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Andrews has commenced the process of identifying which signs to buy and will it was agreed to purchase 10 mph signs.

**219/25 Councillor Vacancy**

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Whitmore informed members that they are currently in the process of selling their property and there may be another Councillor vacancy soon.

**220/25 National Grid Chesterfield-Willington consultation**

No update in Cllr M McGuinness absence.

**221/25 Speed Indicator Device – update on data**

Cllr Higgins has downloaded the data and sent a report to all Councillors with the findings. 6am to 8am has been identified as a peak time for speeding along with 5pm to 7pm which included the highest count of speeding at over 50 mph. The highest speed recorded was 70mph at 2am. Cllr Higgins also identified that on a particular day there were 27 vehicles travelling over 50 mph at 5 am onwards. Cllr Higgins continues to gather data to identify any patterns.

**222/25 Speedwatch**

Cllr Whitmore confirmed a speed watch session has taken place near the Sitwell pub and no speeding was recorded. Another date to be arranged..

**223/25 2025 Event Planning including Memorial Sculpture – Ideas for suggestions.**

Cllr Higgins has booked the Santa for the Christmas event. Cllr Higgins has also spoken to the school who have agreed to make some poppies. It was agreed to look at purchasing some crafting materials for the school to make the poppies.

Cllr S McGuinness will look to arrange music for the Christmas event.

**224/25 Christmas Lights installation and removal quote £1015 + VAT**

RESOLVED: It was agreed to proceed with the quote.

**225/25 Environment Improvement Plan**

Carried forward in Cllr M McGuinness' absence.

**226/25 Wudhus News – Review Content**

The deadline for content will be next month.

**227/25 Correspondence**

A member of the public has notified that they will be carrying out maintenance work for drainage for one day on an unadopted road. The member of the public have also been told to communicate this to the Church.

**228/25 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm