

HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council held on
Tuesday 2nd June 2026 Church Hall Horsley Woodhouse at 7.00pm

102/26 Present

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

Clerk H Varty

County and Borough Councillor L Pizzey

No members of the public

103/26 Public Participation

Cllr Pizzey confirmed that the food waste scheme has started in parts of the borough and that pothole repairs continue.

Cllr Pizzey informed that the inappropriate picture found by Cllr S McGuinness is in the process of being handed to the Police.

Cllr Pizzey also confirmed that LGR is expected to be discussed at the next meeting, and further clarity is anticipated regarding Amber Valley's position.

Footpath complaints were also discussed and Cllr Pizzey informed that complaints remain to be the responsibility of DCC, issues to be reported through the online portal and landowners may be contacted where appropriate.

Cllr Till raised concerns about parking charges across Derbyshire and suggested introducing a parking pass scheme. Cllr Pizzey agreed to pass the suggestion on.

104/26 Apologies

None.

105/26 Variation of Order of Business

None.

106/26 Declaration of Members Interests

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

107/26 To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the agenda should be taken with public excluded.

None.

108/26 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 5th May 2026

Proposed by Cllr Till and seconded by Cllr James.

109/26 Matters arising

None.

110/26 Play Inspections including dog fouling

- a) The Chair reported that the grass has not been cut near the playground equipment and the clerk will report to Countrywide.

Councillors discussed cleaning down the playground equipment before the summer holidays

commence.

The matting was also discussed and the clerk will contact AVBC about recommendations for companies who would replace it.

b) Horeston Recreation Ground

Cllr Till informed that the swing seats have been replaced. Cllr Till also informed members of graffiti on the gym equipment.

c) Sitwell Recreation Ground

The Vice-Chair reported that the dog fouling signs had fallen off during the high winds and will be put back up.

The clerk reported that correspondence has been received from the Scouts about using Sitwell Rec for their annual bonfire night. It was agreed for it to be used and a site inspection will be requested after the event with Councillors and Scout leaders to assess the site together.

III/26 Planning

None.

II2/26 Finance

a) RESOLVED: Members agreed to the payments below.

Payments for Dawson print £552, EMAS £200 and AVBC playground inspection £120.96 were also agreed.

Payment Type	Reason for Payment	Amount £
Employee Salary	April Salary	
Church Hall	Room Hire	24
Bus Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	44.54
H Varty	Company Package	12.10
S Till	Flag purchases	69.50
S Till	Swing parts	381.24
AVBC	Bin services	2947.78
Total		3479.16

II3/26 Approve Internal Audit

The clerk has circulated the report to Councillors and it was agreed to go as an agenda item at the next meeting to allow time to review the recommendations.

II4/26 Approve end of year account 2025/26

RESOLVED: The clerk confirmed that bank statements and the cashbook for 2025/26 have been sent to Councillors.

II5/26 Approve Annual Governance Statement

RESOLVED: To approve the Annual Governance Statement with no concerns raised.

II6/26 Approve Accounting Statements

RESOLVED: To approve the accounting statements.

II7/26 Main Street and Church Lane Road Signs

IN PROGRESS: Cllr James confirmed one sign has now been put back up and one more sign is awaiting to be.

II8/26 Insurance quote renewal Gallagher £2151.48 to review

RESOLVED: To accept the quote.

II9/26 Assertion 10 Update including adopting a GDPR policy and training

IN PROGRESS: The clerk informed the recommended amendments have been made to the GDPR

policy was it resolved to adopt it.

120/26 Plaques from the British Legion Discussion

IN PROGRESS: The Chair previously informed Councillors that there are a number of plaques left over from the British Legion building. Discussions about where to keep/display them continue to be in progress.

121/26 Discuss the conditions of the drains in the village

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Till informed that he and Cllr Higgins have checked the drains. It was reported that around a third are either full or full of mud. Standing Orders were suspended to allow Cllr Pizzey to suggest contacting DCC regarding the conditions before paying for a survey. Orders were reinstated.

122/26 Bus service update including the letter from Lindsay Farnsworth

IN PROGRESS: The clerk confirmed correspondence has been received from local MP Lindsay Farnsworth regarding the reinstatement of a potential bus route between Horsley Woodhouse and Derby and acknowledged that the suggested route is an improvement but not where the Parish Council would it to be.. The clerk to follow up with a Trent Barton for a response to recent correspondence sent. Cllrs M McGuinness and Till to arrange a meeting with Lindsay Farnsworth.

123/26 Speed Indicator Device-Update on data and license renewal

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Higgins circulated a report to Councillors with the latest speed indicator device information.

124/26 Speedwatch

IN PROGRESS: A new date will be set.

125/26 Councillor Vacancies

IN PROGRESS: The clerk confirmed Cllr Whitmore has resigned from the Parish Council and her vacancy will be notified to AVBC.

126/26 Event Planning 2026 including the memorial sculpture

IN PROGRESS: Cllr S McGuinness proposed to spend £20 to purchase a trophy for the cake bake competition at the carnival and it was resolved to accept.

127/26 Wudhus News – Review Content

It was discussed to give the editor an annual printing budget for the Wudhus News to allow them to choose how many pages to put in each edition. Cllr Higgins to discuss with the editor.

128/26 Wudhus News business advertisement discussion

IN PROGRESS: Discussions took place on how to advertise local businesses in the Wudhus News. It was suggested to advertise local businesses once a year in an edition of the Wudhus News. It was agreed to discuss further in the September meeting.

129/26 Correspondence

None.

130/26 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7th July 7pm

Tuesday 8th September 7pm

Tuesday 6th October 7pm