

HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council held on
Tuesday 2nd December 2025 Church Hall Horsley Woodhouse at 7.00pm

249/25 Present

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

Clerk H Varty

Borough Councillor L Pizzev

2 members of the public

250/25 Public Participation

Cllr Pizzev confirmed the next speedwatch session has been booked and that a by election will take place on 22nd January for the County Councillor vacancy following the resignation of County Councillor Morgan.

251/25 Apologies

Cllr J Whitmore

Borough Councillor A Paget

252/25 Variation of Order of Business

It was agreed to move item 15 to the last agenda item.

253/25 Declaration of Members Interests

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

254/25 To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the agenda should be taken with public excluded.

None

255/25 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 4th November 2025

Proposed by Cllr James and seconded by Cllr Till.

256/25 Matters arising

Cllr Higgins informed Cllrs that a quote had been received for the Christmas gift packs for the Christmas Light switch on event and is £115.

257/25 Recreation Matters

a) **Play Inspections**

It was advised that the rotary needs greasing again.

b) **Horeston Recreation Ground**

It was reported that mole hills are again an issue at the recreation ground. The hedge near the Doctor's surgery is also still waiting to be cut.

c) **Sitwell Recreation Ground**

It was also reported that there is a mole hill issue at Sitwell Recreation ground.

258/25 Planning

No planning applications received.

259/25 Finance

- a) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed to the payments below.
- b) The check of the quarterly reconcile is in progress.
- c) The clerk confirmed the draft budget for 2026/27 had been circulated to Councillors.

| Payment Type | Reason for Payment | Amount £ |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| H Varty | Salary | |
| Church Hall | Room Hire | 20 |
| Bus Shelter Maintenance | Bus Shelter Cleaning | 40.51 |
| L Higgins Microsoft | Company Package | 12.10 |
| G Long | Tree cutting | TBC |
| M Blackwell | Strimming in village | 340.00 |
| Leisure Lites | Installation of lights | 690.00 |
| Dawson Print | Wudhus News | 552.00 |

260/25 New Meeting Venue

RESOLVED: Due to the collapse of the British Legion roof it was agreed to hold future meetings at the Church Hall at a cost of £24.

261/25 Grant Policy Review

RESOLVED: Cllr M McGuinness has circulated to all Councillors and it was agreed to adopt the policy.

262/25 Mayor's Transport Plan Consultation

IN PROGRESS: The consultation has been circulated to all members and Cllr Till will be attending a meeting on December 4th.

263/25 Purchase of speed limit signs review

RESOLVED: Cllr James advised that a quotation totaling £208.04 for the 'slow down children' signs has been obtained and it was agreed to purchase.

264/25 Councillor Vacancy

IN PROGRESS: Cllr McGuinness has circulated adverts for the vacancy and the clerk advised that no applications have yet been received.

265/25 National Grid Chesterfield to Willington consultation

IN PROGRESS: No update at present.

266/25 Speed Indicator Device

IN PROGRESS: Cllr Higgins confirmed that the battery still has power and no further update at present.

267/25 Speedwatch

IN PROGRESS: It was advised in public speaking that the next session has been booked.

268/25 2025 Christmas event planning including Memorial Sculpture

RESOLVED: It was agreed to purchase x5 £20 Peony vouchers for the Christmas lights competition which is to be held on 23rd December.

269/25 Environment Improvement Plan

RESOLVED: It was agreed to adopt the plan circulated by Cllr M McGuinness and to review it annually.

270/25 Wudhus News – Review Content

It was agreed to publish the Wudhus News with the additional colour pages at an extra cost of £47 per edition.

271/25 Correspondence

The clerk advised that a grant application from HWCA has been received and will be put on the next agenda.

272/25 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 6th January at 7pm

Tuesday 3rd February at 7pm

Tuesday 3rd March at 7pm

273/25 Save Kilburn and Hurlsey Greenbelt Campaign grant request

IN PROGRESS: It was agreed to ask the campaign to complete the new adopted grant policy form and to discuss at the next meeting.

Tuesday 4th November at 7pm