

## HARTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

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### Parish Council Minutes

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Present: Cllrs, Creed, Goodrum, Huckle, Weston and Williams

Clerk: A Holt (Clerk), L Lavender (RFO) Cllr F Cole (WNC)

<b>February Full Council Meeting</b>																																									
	<b>Opening comments from Chair:</b>																																								
1454/2026	To receive and approve apologies for absence which have been notified directly to the Clerk directly <b>Cllr Sharp, Cllr Sparks, Cllr Turnbull and Cllr Joyce</b>																																								
	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>																																								
1455/2026	Declaration of any Disclosable Pecuniary or other interest. <b>None</b>																																								
1456/2026	Dispensations – To consider written requests for dispensation of DPI <b>None</b>																																								
1457/2026	<b>Minutes - To agree and sign the minutes of Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Agreed and signed</b>																																								
1458/2026	<b>Public participation session 3 minutes max per person 15 minutes total.</b> None present																																								
1459/2026	<b>Reports received from outside bodies:</b> including WNC Cllr <b>5 mins max per person. None received.</b> Cllr Cole updated on local issues, planning issues and the Local Plan Consultation																																								
1460/2026	<b>Election of Vice Chair.</b> Cllr Williams invited interested parties or nominations. Cllr Huckle nominated Cllr Goodrum, Cllr Creed seconded, there being no further nominations a vote was taken. <b>All Agreed</b> and Cllr Goodrum was successfully elected as Vice Chair.																																								
1461/2023	<b>Assign councillors into the following roles.</b> a) <b>Remembrance Sunday (suggest that this is assigned to two people, a small working group or Assign to Environment Committee) – All Agreed</b> that it was appropriate to sit within the Environment Committee. b) <b>Newsletter - a councillor to work alongside the Clerk on the Newsletter,</b> Cllr Goodrum volunteered and <b>All Agreed.</b> c) <b>Little Library – assign a councillor to help oversee with Clerk –</b> Cllr Goodrum volunteered for this role and <b>All Agreed.</b>																																								
1462/2026	<b>Update re Police Liaison Meetings (Cllr Huckle) –</b> Cllr Huckle shared that we now have a new PC for the area. PC Jamie O'Sullivan. Cllr Huckle to make contact and introduce HPC.																																								
1463/2026	<b>Account</b>																																								
a)	Council's financial position as at 31/1/2026 <b>£27,592.22</b> Unity Bank Current Account and <b>£45,535.46</b> Unity Bank Instant Access Savings Account Inclusive of reserves + receipts																																								
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d)	<b>Banking Arrangements – Agreed</b> to remove Tina South from the bank and add Cllrs Creed and Goodrum																																								
1464/2026	<b>Community Grants 2025/26</b> a) Community Grants for 2026/2027 – New applications released, sent to all previous applicants, shared on social media.																																								
1465/2026	<b>Parish Plan/Timeline</b> Clerk has circulated previous plan, Clerk to arrange a meeting.																																								
1466/2026	<b>Community Engagement</b> a) <b>Book Library –</b>																																								

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Launch Event</b> – school have been invited for Friday 6<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul> <p>b) <b>Coffee Morning – Discuss locking The Club each week</b> – Clerk has had another set of keys cut each week, we will work on a 6 week rota for locking, using what's app poll to organise and review in 3 meetings to see how it's working.</p>																																			
1467/2026	<p><b>Environment Committee</b></p> <p>a) <b>Updates from meeting</b> – Cllr Sharp updated prior to meeting. Cllr Williams updated re Produce Show and plans for Bloom. Clerk informed the council of offer from Cadent of £200.00 to contribute to the Christmas tree stand removed in error. The replacement was £514.00 plus VAT, Cllr Huckle to draft a letter on council's behalf.</p>																																			
1468/2026	<p><b>Cemetery – New Applications – None</b></p> <p>a) New Applications – none</p> <p>Issues with coffin/grave from November 25, funeral director chased regarding their contribution to the costs of repairs, they have sent a £30.00 voluntary contribution.</p>																																			
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14702026	<p><b>Updates – Discussion of matters not otherwise on the agenda for information sharing only.</b></p> <p>a) <b>Highways (including Street Lighting) and footpaths around the village (Clerk)</b> Clerk to send Cllr Weston map for Rose Close/Rush Close. There still needs a councillor to take on Street Lighting, suggested we ask Cllr Turnbull to do.</p>																																			
1471/2026	<b>Correspondence/communication:</b> - Letter from concerned resident regarding school parking, agreed for Clerk to contact the school and Cllr Huckle reach out to the police.																																			
1472/2026	<b>Community Centre Update (Cllr Williams)</b>																																			
1473/2026	<b>Youth Club</b> – To consider SLA and discuss/agree a way forward. <b>All Agreed</b> to proceed with a year-on-year agreement.																																			
1474/2026	<b>Date of next meeting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026.</b>																																			
	<b>Meeting Closed at 20.55pm</b>																																			

Copies of all council papers are available on request. Requests should be made to the clerk at least 48 hours prior to when they are required.