

HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 14th October 2025 HELD IN HAIL WESTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

O Oldfield (Chair)	(OO)
N Burdett	(NB)
V Bolton	(VB)
P Martin	(PM)
S Maller	(SM)

IN ATTENDANCE: Huntingdonshire District Council Councillor Stephen Cawley and Sarah Milonas (Clerk).

ACTION

251014 – 1 OPEN FORUM AND TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Huntingdonshire District Council Councillor Stephen Cowley presented his report (attached).

251014 – 2 RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from RRS

251014 - 3 RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS No declarations made

251014 - 4 APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES (16th September 2025) Resolved to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th September.

251014-5 CO-OPTION FOR COUNCILLOR VACANCY Resolved to defer to November meeting

251014 - 6 NEWSLETTER It was resolved to follow the proposed timetable. Timeframe: 1st Draft Circulated: 10th September 2nd Draft Circulated: 8th October Final Draft Sent for Printing: 4th November Distribution: 18th November

251014 – 7 ST NEOTS MULTI PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN Nothing to note.

HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

ACTION

- 251014 - 8** CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
Resolve to ask for the tree by the village sign.
Resolve to ask for light decorations for the 17 village owned lamp posts.
Clerk to email

CLERK

- 251014 - 9** PLANNING
Nothing to note

251014-10 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

Business Money Manager	36,792.82
Community a/c normal cheque a/c	626.32
	<u>37,419.14</u>

October 2025 expenditure	
SM Wages September SCP 29 £20.66/hr (HMRC 219.51)	864.05
T & S Grounds Maintenance	638.00
Fresh Pay	7.80
P Baker	131.00
Strength & Balance	123.00
LSK Toilet Hire	104.16
LSK Toilet Hire	131.04
Total Energies	44.84
A J Baker Allotment Gate Lock	19.98
PK Littlejohn	378.00
Newtown Donation	500.00
Gravel GoR Path	186.00
Hall Hire – Parish Meetings	40.00
Hall Hire – Strength & Balance	165.00
HDC – Sports Coaches for Children's Sessions Summer 2025	882.00
Total	4214.87

- a) Resolved to approve
- b) Resolved to approve
- c) Resolved to approve wreath b
- d) Resolved to accept AGAR

251014-11

CLERKS REPORT

Clerk report was delivered highlighting:

- Clerk annual leave
- GoR Gravel Distribution

251014-12

EAST PARK ENERGY

Resolved to not submit previous comments.

Resolve to submit new comments.

Resolve to place on November and December agenda.

251014-13

WEBSITE

Resolve to launch website on 19th November and move to .gov.emails.

251014-14

MEMBERS UPDATES

OO – Banking change of primary user is nearly completed. The budget

VB – Confirmed the village hall AGM is on Thursday 16th October 2025.

NB – Confirmed the LHI bid has been successful.

PM - None

251014-15

COMMUNICATION FOR NOTING

- a) Noted, Clerk to look into this and gather more information.

251014-16

MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

- Member Responsibilities
- Community Led Plan
- 2026 Meetings
- Budget

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.49 pm.

**Parish Council Update – October 2025
HDC Annual Climate Conference 2025**

When: Wednesday, 5 November 2025 (10:00-16:00)

Where: The Burgess Hall, Westwood Road, St Ives,
PE27 6WU

The theme this year is ‘Together for Tomorrow’ and aims to bring together residents, parish councillors, community groups, artists, policymakers and climate experts. The event will showcase local progress, celebrate innovation and set new goals for climate action across Huntingdonshire. Teas and coffees will be served throughout the day and a vegetarian and vegan lunch will be provided.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/huntingdonshire-district-councils-annual-climate-conference-2025-tickets-1692615000029?aff=oddtcreator>

Huntingdonshire to Explore Standalone Unitary Authority

Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) has announced it will develop a business case for a standalone unitary authority as part of the government’s review of local government in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

The proposal, known as Option E, would see Huntingdonshire become a unitary council in its own right, while Peterborough, Fenland and East Cambridgeshire would form a second council, and Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire a third. All county council services would be transferred to these new authorities.

A formal decision on the council’s preferred option is anticipated in the autumn, with an HDC Extraordinary Council meeting scheduled for November. Final decisions on reorganisation will be made by the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution, following government consultation.

Paxton Pits Nature Reserve Extension Approved

HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

ACTION

HDC has recommended approving the signing of leases to secure the extension of Paxton Pits Nature Reserve. The decision will give delegated authority to council officers to sign the leases for land adjacent to the existing reserve. Once gravel extraction and agreed restoration works are complete, the reserve will expand from 78 hectares to around 280 hectares, making it one of the largest in Cambridgeshire.

Benefits	Benefit@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388308
Fraud	Fraud@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01223 388188
Refuse Collection	CRM_Ops@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388640
Building Control	buildingcontrol@3Csharedservices.org	0300 772 9622
Business Rates	BusinessRates@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388030
Car Parks	ParkingService@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388388
Communications	news@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	
Council Tax	Council.Tax@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388030
Democratic Services	Democratic.Services@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388169
Elections	Elections@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388017
Environmental Health	Environmental.Health@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388302
Facilities	FMHelpdesk@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	
Housing / Homelessness	Housingadvice@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388218
Licensing	Licensing@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 387075
Planning	crm_Planning@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388424
Planning – Conservation	development.management@huntingdonshire.gov.uk alternative email address crm_planning@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	updated 01480 388424
Planning Enforcement	Planning.Enforcement@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388424
Planning- Trees	Trees@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388424
Street Cleaning	CRM_Ops@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388640
Residents Advice Team	residentadvice@huntingdonshire.gov.uk	01480 388584

