

HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 17 November 2025 at Hascombe Village Hall, Mare Lane, Hascombe.

Attendees: Mrs Sarah Sullivan – Chair
Mr Norman Simpson – Vice Chair
Mr David Pite – Member
Mrs Rosie Pedder – Member
Mrs B Weddell - Clerk

Cllr Kevin Deanis, Iona Anderson, of Savills and three members of the public were in attendance.

Apologies: There were no apologies for absence.

		Action
25/74	Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.	
25/75	Representations from members of the public Ted Dwyer advised that to commemorate the 100 th anniversary of Dunsfold and Hascombe Horticultural Society and they had kindly donated two trees to the village. It was agreed that the Japonica would be planted at the recreation ground and the Acer would be planted by the pond. Mr Simpson also had a Black Walnut that would be planted by the pond.	
25/76	Reports from Councillors Cllr Deanus reported that the government has made the decision regarding local government reorganisation. There would be two unitary authorities, west and east. There will be elections in May for the shadow council to run concurrently with the existing councillors. The result of the fair funding agreement and its impact on Surrey would be down on the 24 th December.	
25/77	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 8 th September were approved as a correct record of the meeting.	
25/78	Matters Arising Millennium bench repairs – Mr Pite would carry out repairs when he and Mr Simpson had transported the bench to his house. Mrs Sullivan would replace or refresh the lettering on the plaque.	D Pite S Sullivan
25/79	Chair's Report The Chair reported that she, Mr Simpson, with help from some residents had cut the hedges by the fountain, removed ivy and cleared mud. In the spring, the hedges would be shaped. It was agreed that Mr Simpson could install a bench in memory of his late wife.	
25/80	Highways and public rights of way Mrs Pedder had reported the fallen trees on the footpath between the fountain and the White Horse and would report them again. It was	R Pedder

thought the trees were fallen from Hascombe Estate land, so Mr Simpson would also report to Iona at Savills.

N Simpson

Cllr Deanus was asked if the speed signs could be upgraded to flashing signs. He said that he would arrange a crew to come out and clean the existing signs. Clerk to follow up by email.

Clerk

25/81

Hascombe Estate

Iona Anderson, from Savills was in attendance. She reported that the ash tree opposite the fountain had been inspected last autumn, it had been advised that the ivy be removed, which would be done and that they would continue to monitor the tree for ash dieback.

Regarding a section of woodland belonging to the Estate that had been cleared by occupants of the nearby traveller site, Iona reported that they had been in discussion with the travellers and the Police.

Mr Simpson had asked the Estate to consider the provision of a new viewpoint from Hascombe Hill if the trees that were blocking the current viewpoint could not be removed safely. Members asked Iona to ask Mr Anstruther again and stress the importance of the viewpoint. The parish council would consider contributing to the cost, if required.

25/82

Hascombe Pond

Reynolds Tree Care had been instructed to carry out the first wave of tree work. They had applied to Waverley Borough Council for works to trees in the Conservation Area and was awaiting confirmation from Waverley before proceeding, which was likely to be in January.

The replacement benches had been delivered and installed.

The Parish Council had been approached by an Executor of the estate of the late Sally Wood, requesting a memorial bench in Sally's memory be provided by her estate at the pond. It was agreed that the parish council had no objection, provided that the bench was the same model and specification as the two memorial benches recently installed, and that the parish council approve any inscription plaque prior to installation.

25/83

Finance

- a) Updated accounts were presented. The bank reconciliation was checked and signed by Mr Simpson.
- b) Payments were confirmed and receipts noted (schedule appended).
- c) Internal audit review – the Finance and Governance Action Plan was approved.

25/84

Standing orders and financial regulations

It was resolved that the new Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, as circulated, be adopted. Updated copies would be added to the website.

Clerk

25/85

Planning

- a) There were no new planning applications to consider.

b) There were no recent decisions by Waverley Borough Council to report.

Clerk

c) Stovolds Hill - there was nothing to report.

25/86

Items for information or inclusion on a future agenda

Mrs Pedder had noted that Defibrillator training was taking place in Dunsfold. If there were places available she would circulate to Friends of Hascombe. If the Dunsfold session was fully subscribed, a session would be arranged for Hascombe.

R Pedder

The Waverley Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation was open until 8th December. The Clerk would draft a response.

Clerk

Mr Simpson advised that the generator had not worked when tested – the fuel would be drained, then the generator would be refuelled and retested.

N Simpson

Mr Simpson advised that new pads and batteries would be required for the defibrillator by the What Horse. Mr Simpson would send the details to the Clerk to order.

N Simpson

No volunteers had come forward to run Speed Watch. The parish council would raise it at the Annual Assembly.

25/87

Next meeting

Monday 12th January

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:29.

Bank account: Current Account

Date range: 01/09/2025 to 17/11/2025

Date	Supplier / Customer	Description	Receipt	Payment
	Opening balance b/fwd			8,984.29
01/09/2025	B Weddell	August salary		267.33
01/09/2025		Bank transfer		6,000.00
15/09/2025	HMRC	Income tax return		66.80
15/09/2025	Nest	Pension contributions		24.36
19/09/2025	Lloyds Bank	Service charge		4.25
25/09/2025	Dark Group Ltd	Email accounts		105.60
25/09/2025	Netwise	.gov domain		72.00
01/10/2025	B Weddell	September pay		267.33
15/10/2025	Surrey ALC Ltd	SALC membership		107.03
15/10/2025	HMRC	Income tax return		66.80
17/10/2025	Nest	Pension contributions		24.36
20/10/2025	Lloyds Bank	Service Charge		4.25
29/10/2025		Bank transfer	2,000.00	
29/10/2025	Streetmaster	Benches x 2 at the pond		1,696.80
03/11/2025	B Weddell	October salary		267.33
14/11/2025	Nest	Pension contributions		24.36