

# HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

Cllr Kevin Deanus and 8 members of the public were in attendance.

**Apologies:** There were no apologies for absence.

		Action
25/15	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.	
25/16	<b>Representations from members of the public</b> Members of the public had attended to hear an anticipated report from Waverley Borough Commander Inspector Rob Brian, who had unfortunately been unable to attend. The Chair and Clerk reported on their meeting with the Borough Commander in January. They also stressed the importance for residents to report any incidents of suspicious behaviour via the new Surrey Police Suspicious Activity Portal.	
25/17	<b>Reports from Councillor</b> Cllr Deanus updated the meeting about the local government review and unitarisation of Surrey.	
25/18	<b>Minutes</b> The minutes of the meeting held on 6 <sup>th</sup> January were approved as a correct record of the meeting.	
25/19	<b>Chairman's Report</b> The Chair reported that she had met with Ian Wilks of Godalming and Haslemere Ramblers at Markwick Farm to look at the blocked footpath No 204a. He would be following this up with the landowner.	
25/20	<b>Matters arising from the meeting of 11 November</b> a) New website development – update. The Clerk would continue to incorporate updates into the website and was working on the best format for the news page. Cllr Pite had yet to implement his .gov.uk email addresses and would seek help from Mr Simpson to get these in place before the next meeting.	Clerk
25/21	<b>Co-option of a new member to fill a Casual Vacancy</b> Steven Rodwell, who had lived in the village with his wife Nicky for 4 years, introduced himself to members and offered to be considered for co-option. It was agreed unanimously that Mr Rodwell be co-opted to the Parish Council and he signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.	

25/22

**Highways and public rights of way**

The potential of The Street becoming a 20mph zone was discussed. Speedwatch reported that the average speed of those caught above the speed limit was 35 to 44mph. It was thought this was too high to meet the requirements for the speed reduction. There was no clear resolution and it was agreed that the parish council would await the findings of the Rural Speed Review, which was due to be carried out in the Summer.

Mr Pite would report the fallen signposts near Markwick Farm and on the B2130.

D Pite

Mrs Pedder reported that there had been a complaint about the installation of erosion barriers on Bridleway 264. Surrey Rights of Way officers raised no objection to what had been done.

Members would arrange a 'walk about' of strategic footpaths to consider potential improvements that could be funded by the parish council.

All

25/23

**Hascombe Estate**

There was no update regarding further clearance to reinstate the key viewpoint from Hascombe Hill. It was thought the hedge weeding around the woodyard had been done. Mr Simpson would report to the agent a hazardous Ash tree falling over the road near Fountain Cottage.

N Simpson

25/24

**Hascombe Pond**

Andrew Gale had carried out a full tree survey, including recommendations for tree work to be carried out within the next few years. It was agreed that quotes should be sought for the trees identified as needing urgent attention. Any work would be carried out after the bird nesting season.

N Simpson  
/ Clerk

Regarding the water impoundment licence, the Clerk had contacted the Environment Agency to query whether a new licence was necessary for a historic village pond, as she had been advised that this was not required. There had been no response from the local Environment Agency office.

The Clerk had obtained quotes to replace the two Musgrave benches and the Chairman would also advise a local supplier before a final decision would be made.

25/25

**Standing Orders and Financial Regulations**

The Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, as circulated, were reviewed and approved, subject to an error at section 15A that incorrectly crossed out the word Clerk, which would be corrected.

Clerk

It was suggested by Mrs Pedder that the £5000 emergency spending limit be reduced. The Clerk advised that new Model financial Regulations had just been published and these would be proposed for adoption at the July meeting, when this limit would be reviewed. It was also noted that the Clerk would present quarterly bank reconciliations.

Clerk

**25/26**

**Planning**

a) There were no new planning applications for consideration.

b) Recent decisions by Waverley Borough Council:

WA/2024/02464 - NORTH SUSSEX LODGE PARK HATCH DUNSFOLD ROAD GODALMING GU8 4BL. Raising roof ridge height and re-roofing of the dwelling together with installation of rooflights and associated works. **Granted**

WA/2024/02309 FARLANDS DUNSFOLD ROAD LOXHILL GODALMING GU8 4BH. Erection of extensions and alterations to roof form to provide additional habitable accommodation; erection of detached garage following demolition of existing integral garage. **Granted**

WA/2024/02389 MARKWICK FARM MARKWICK LANE LOXHILL GODALMING GU8 4BE. Erection of a single storey extension with new swimming pool and landscaping. **Granted**

WA/2024/01571 1 GOREBRIDGE GREEN COTTAGES DUNSFOLD ROAD LOXHILL GODALMING GU8 4BH. Application under section 106 of the town & country planning act to modify the legal agreement relating to wa/1980/1278 to allow for the removal of an agricultural occupancy condition from 1 Gorebridge Green Cottage and impose it on Burgate Farm Bungalow Godalming GU8 4EE. **Agreed**

c) Stovolds Hill Planning Inquiries. Appeal hearing had been adjourned on the first day. The rescheduled hearing would take place 3-6 and 10 to 13 June. There was no further update.

**25/27**

**Items for information or inclusion on a future agenda**

The Annual Assembly was discussed and it was agreed this would go ahead.

**25/28**

**Next meeting**

Monday 7th April - Annual Assembly

Monday 12th May - Annual Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.05