HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 30th September 2026 at Hascombe Village Hall, Mare Lane, Hascombe.

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

Cllr Kevin Deanus, and 17 members of the public were in attendance.

Apologies: Apologies for absence had been received from West Surrey Cllr Jane Austin and David Pite.

Action

26/61 **Co-option of a councillor to fill a casual vacancy**
It was agreed unanimously that Mr Martin Dodd be co-opted onto the parish council. Mr Dodd signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

26/62 **Declarations of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.

26/63 **Representations from members of the public**
Members of the Public were present regarding Hascombe Fountain and challenged the parish council's previous decision to turn off the water at the instruction of Waverley Borough Council.

26/64 **Reports from Councillors**
Cllr Deanus reported on the recent changes to the NPPF, which had taken effect the day before the scheduled Stovolds Hill planning inquiry. One change in the NPPF included the provision for a maximum of 13 councillors to sit on a planning committee, and it was likely that West Surrey would split planning committees into areas. There were also changes that meant councillors could no longer call-in a planning application to be decided at committee, meaning that more decisions would be delegated to officers.

Cllr Deanus advised that the Rural Speed Review would be carried out in Hascombe shortly.

26/65 **Minutes**
The minutes of the meeting held on 6th July were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

26/66 **Matters Arising**
There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

26/67 **Chairman's Report**
The Chairman reported that she and Mrs Pedder had attended the first day of the latest planning inquiry for Stovolds Hill, only for it to be adjourned on day one. The Planning Inspector's decision regarding

	the previous appeals was awaited. It was reported that over 200 static homes were now on the site, with another having been delivered the previous day. One of the recent changes to the NPPF included the provision for substantial weight to be given against approval of intentional unauthorised development.	
26/68	**Hascombe Fountain**	
	a) Consultation response: The summary of the results to the recent consultation of Hascombe residents regarding the future of the fountain had been circulated prior to the meeting. 57% of respondents were in favour of UV filter installation; 42% in favour of erecting a grill to prevent collection of the water; and 1% in favour of leaving the water switched off. Turnout was 49%.	
	b) Risk assessment: The Waverley risk assessment was drafted. It would be completed dependent on which of the options would be pursued.	
	c) Test results: the results of the recent full suite of tests had come back negative for everything except e-coli and coliforms, which it was noted, could be treated by UV filtration. A further test for e-coli would be carried out in October. Addressing concerns by members of the public, the Clerk would confirm with Affinity Water that 12-hour flush time is sufficient before taking the next test.	Clerk
	d) After discussion, it was resolved that the UV filter solution would be pursued. Clerk to seek detailed quotes.	Clerk
26/69	**Highways and public rights of way**	
	Mrs Pedder reported that she had been chasing Surrey County Council regarding the bridleway adjacent to Sullingstead land where the owners had yet to complete planned works to make the bridleway safe following a landslide.	
	It was noted that the handrail on the bridge on Footpath 208b by Fountain Cottage was wobbly again, following repairs by SCC a couple of years ago. Mrs Pedder would ask Mr Pite whether he would be able to repair it.	R Pedder/ D Pite
	Mrs Pedder would report the overhanging tree on the footpath from the fountain to the White Horse.	R Pedder
26/70	**Hascombe Estate**	
	Mr Simpson reported that the estate was monitoring ash die back in The Street. There was no update regarding the estate reinstalling the steps to the south of Nore Lane, and Mr Simpson would follow this up.	N SImpson
	Regarding the issue above School House, the Clerk would try to ascertain the exact location and problem.	Clerk
26/71	**Hascombe Pond**	
	Mr Simpson reported that the replacement posts around the pond area had been installed and the second phase of tree works had been carried out. Mr Simpson would arrange for a working party of village volunteers to carry out some work to tidy up undergrowth around the pond.	N Simpson

26/72 **Finance**

a) Updated accounts were circulated. Payments were confirmed and receipts noted. (Copy appended to these minutes.)
b) the bank reconciliation was approved and signed by Mrs Sullivan.

26/73 **Planning**

a) The following planning applications were considered:
WA/2026/01455 Erection of two equestrian outbuildings, one with PV panels on roof and relocated muck heap, following demolition of existing equestrian outbuilding and removal of horse walker, provision of amenity space to building known as the barn with installation of EV charging points. Letter would be sent in support of Surrey Hills National Landscape's observations and recommendations.

b) Planning decisions since the last meeting:
WA/2026/00934 BUMBLE BEE COTTAGE 5 MARE LANE HASCOMBE GODALMING GU8 4JH. Erection of an outbuilding and associated works following demolition of existing outbuilding. **Granted.**

WA/2026/00952 MARKWICK FARM MARKWICK LANE LOXHILL GODALMING GU8 4BE. Erection of extension and alterations including external staircase dormers and rooflights to existing garage to provide covered parking with ancillary accommodation above. **Refused.**

WA/2026/00656 1 GOREBRIDGE GREEN COTTAGES DUNSFOLD ROAD LOXHILL GODALMING GU8 4BH. Erection of ground and first floor extensions and alterations; creation of additional vehicle access (part retrospective). **Granted.**

26/74 **Next meeting**

Monday 23rd November.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:30.

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Bank account: Current Account **Date range: 07/07/2026 to 28/09/2026**

Date	Supplier / Customer	Description	Receipt	Payment
07/07/2026	Opening balance b/fwd			
15/07/2026	HMRC	Income tax return		69.00
20/07/2026	Lloyds Bank	Service charge		4.25
03/08/2026	B Weddell	July salary		275.78
11/08/2026	ASL Limited	CCTV survey		384.00
11/08/2026	Mulberry Local Authority Service	Internal audit		441.00
17/08/2026	HMRC	Income tax return		69.00
18/08/2026	Lloyds Bank	Service charge		4.25
25/08/2026	Nest	Pension contributions		25.14
27/08/2026	B Weddell	Postage		233.51
27/08/2026	Kennedys Law LLP	VAT re insurance claim		50.00
28/08/2026	CCLA Investment Management	Interest	38.80	
01/09/2026	B Weddell	August salary		275.78
15/09/2026	HMRC	Income tax return		69.00
21/09/2026	Lloyds Bank	Service charge		4.25
21/09/2026	Netwise	Parish Online		72.00
21/09/2026	Reynolds Tree Care	Replacement posts around pond		1,080.00
28/09/2026	Reynolds Tree Care	Pond treeworks phae 2		2,200.00

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Budget report 2026/27 @ 28/09/2026 (figures exclude VAT)

All reserves

Payments

		Year to date	
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Miscellaneous Payments	0.00	233.51	-233.51
Website	350.00	410.00	-60
Fountain feature maintenance	15,000.00	320.00	14,680
Pond maintenance	2,900.00	900.00	2,000
Grasscutting	1,500.00	0.00	1,500
ICO Registration	47.00	47.00	0
Generator maintenance	150.00	29.46	120.54
Bank Charges	51.00	25.50	25.5
Street Furniture	0.00	0.00	0
Election costs	0.00	0.00	0
Chair's expenses	200.00	0.00	200
Salaries	4,700.00	2,240.76	2,459.24
Audit	250.00	367.50	-117.5
Defibrillator maintenance	150.00	0.00	150
Grants S.126	300.00	0.00	300
Insurance	300.00	264.00	36
Training	400.00	0.00	400
Hall Hire	150.00	0.00	150
Subscriptions	120.00	107.30	12.7

Total Payments	**26,568.00**	**4,945.03**	**21,622.97**

Receipts

	Budget	Year to date Actual	Variance
VAT Repayments	0.00	0.00	0
Miscellaneous Receipts	0.00	0.00	0
Precept	9,270.00	9,270.00	0
Interest	180.00	77.60	-102.4
CIL Payments	0.00	0.00	0
Grants and Donations	0.00	0.00	0
Total Receipts	**9,450.00**	**9,347.60**	**-102.40**