

## HACKTHORN and COLD HANWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Hackthorn & Cold Hanworth Parish Council held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7pm in Hackthorn Village Hall

Present: Councillors Pickering (Chair), Graves, Marsden, Bright, Albone and Finney.

In attendance: The clerk.

1. Apologies for Absence – None
2. To receive declarations of interest – None
3. Minutes of meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> September and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026- Signed as a true record.
4. Chair and councils comments- The clerk and chairman apologised for the error in not sharing the email from the school regarding parking and it was agreed to invite the headteacher to the next meeting..
5. Clerk's report on matters outstanding:- None.
6. Reports from outside bodies:- No one in attendance.
7. Planning- None. No update on Scampton.
8. LCC Highways matters:- Highways to be contacted regarding standing water along Main Street. Council is of the opinion that there is a blockage in the section of the ditch that goes under the school. The recent repairs to the road from Glebe Farm to Low Farm in Cold Hanworth have made the situation worse and it is now dangerous. Clerk to report. Also the state of Long Lane is deteriorating. Clerk to report again.
9. Financial matters: H. Pitman: £321.72; Village Hall: £50; RBL Poppy appeal: £20. Payments approved.
10. To note general correspondence- Circulated.
11. Update on progress of village project: Cllr Finney informed council that there had been no response to his call for suggestions for content of the interpretation panel. He and Cllr Graves will try again at the luncheon club and coffee mornings. **agenda**
12. To resolve on phone box maintenance: Chairman has now received two quotes varying between £2K and £4K. The clerk has been successful in accessing funding of £500 towards the project from Cllr Swift. It was suggested the chairman approach a local man who has done an excellent job repairing the phone box in Cammeringham. Contractor to be resolved upon at next meeting. Cllr Bright informed council new pads are needed for the defibrillator and that she will order them. Cllr Finney to act as reserve defib co-ordinator. **agenda**
13. To approve budget for 2026: Clerk had prepared figures which were accepted. Council agreed to pursue phone box refurbishment and project of panel and bench seating in bus shelter. Resolved to increase precept by 4% in line with inflation. Figure of £2600 agreed unanimously.
14. Items of information to be noted and if necessary to be dealt with at the next meeting:- Litter pick arranged for 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 10am. Agenda items: village project; phone box maintenance; parking restrictions.

The meeting closed at 8pm

Chair .....

Date .....

Meetings for 2026: 19<sup>th</sup> January @7pm; 10<sup>th</sup> March @ 7pm; 19<sup>th</sup> May @ 7pm;  
14<sup>th</sup> July @ 8pm; 1<sup>st</sup> September @8pm; 10<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.30pm