

HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 27th January 2026 at 7pm at the Foreman Carter Centre, Westwoodside.

Present: Cllrs Bond, Carlile, Farmer, Harris, Holgate, Kennedy, Knowles, Lindley, Parkin, Steers, Skelton & Thorpe.

Also Present: 1 resident & Parish Clerk – Deb Hotson

Chairman: Cllr Holgate presided.

2601/01 Apologies and reasons for absence received from Cllrs Booth, Cunningham & Martin.

2601/02 Public Participation – the resident was there to observe proceedings only.

2601/03 To approve the following minutes:

Resolved – minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th December 2025 approved as a true and correct record.

Proposed: Cllr Skelton, **seconded:** Cllr Lindley, **10 for with 2 abstentions.**

2601/04 To record declarations of interest by any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

Cllr Steers declared a personal interest in agenda item 2601/21.

Cllr Kennedy declared a personal interest in agenda item 2601/09.

2601/05 To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items listed.

Dispensation granted regarding item 2601/11 due to the Parish Council being Sole Trustee of WPFA.

2601/06 Planning

To note the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 21st January 2026.

The minutes were noted.

2601/07 Clerks Report

- a. Reminder to Cllr Skelton for a training course on 29/01.
- b. Minutes of the Isle Locality meeting held on 16/12/25.
- c. ERNLLCA December 25 and January 26 Newsletter.
- d. ERNLLCA correspondence on the letter to leaders - Local Governance Reorganisation.
- e. CPRE Countrywise January 26 newsletter.
- f. Step Fusion pre-application stage one consultation.
- g. HSBC Fixed Term Deposit – Clerk to look at and send to the Finance Committee for consideration.
- h. Bruno Peek correspondence on the Lamp Light of Peace. Add to the July agenda.
- i. North Humber & high Marnham community update.
- j. Humberside Police & Crime Commissioner Commendation Scheme.
- k. Residents have raised concerns regarding cameras that have been erected in Graizelound. Clerk has forwarded concerns to NLC to look into.
- l. Invitation to a meeting to support collaboration and drive forward the development of the Isle Country Show. Cllr Farmer to attend and represent the Council.
- m. The Council have been copied in on an email to NLC regarding road safety concerns at Haxey school.
- n. The precept data has been submitted to NLC.

Highways / Neighbourhood Services / North Lincolnshire Council items

2601/08 To receive an update on all outstanding highway issues.

- Church Street – potholes reported.
- Overhanging hedges and trees onto the footpath at Burrells Corner. NLC have written to residents. Cllr Lindley to check to see if these have been cut back.

- Craycroft Road replacement salt bin – Clerk has chased but no response to date.

2601/09 To consider the information received from NLC regarding the devolution arrangements for verge & PROW cutting including weed clearance for 2026.

Resolved – the council agreed to take on the devolved arrangements for verge & PROW cutting included weed clearance for one year.

Proposed: Cllr Harris, seconded: Cllr Knowles. 7 for, 4 against and 1 abstention.

Clerk to obtain the updated maps, the updated linear meterage and square meterage for all parishes covered by the Council. Clerk to then go out and obtain quotes for the February meeting.

Reports / Updates/

2601/10 To receive a report from the Ward Councillors on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.

Cllr Kennedy update the council stating that the Housing Allocation will be out soon and encouraged the Council to comment.

2601/11 To receive the minutes and accounting details from the Westwoodside Playing Field Management Committee determining any actions required.

The minutes and account were circulated prior to the meeting and those presented noted this.

2601/12 To receive an update report on Westwoodside Pond determining actions required.

Cllr Parkin asked if the Council and the Ponds Lights Committee could work together to ensure that the aerator is turned back on after the Christmas lights are removed. The Clerk to confirm.

The new drainage needs unblocking as the pond is rising. Clerk to contact the drainage department.

2601/13 To receive an update report from the Planting Working Group determining any actions required.

The minutes of the latest meeting were circulated prior to the meeting.

Cllr Steers stated that new planters were required, these will be purchased via the In Bloom grant if available this year.

Tunes will be used again for the plants with an increase to fill the new planters. More sustainable plants to be purchased.

Cllr Steers has been communicating with the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust regarding a wildflower area at the verge to the west of the church.

Cllr Steers asked that the council purchase some water butts to place round the parish for the volunteers to use. Cllr Steers to obtain sizes, locations and confirm if permissions have been sought for the next meeting.

2601/14 To receive an update report from Dr Dysons Garden Working Group determining actions required.

Coney Garth Nursery decorated the area at Christmas and with the new lights it looked great.

2601/15 To receive an update report on the updating of the Community Emergency Plan determining actions required.

Cllr Steers to chase a response from the HEPS team.

General Items

2601/16 To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

- Grass cutting & weed clearance quotes.
- July agenda – Lamp Light of Peace.

2601/17 To notify the Clerk of items to be submitted for inclusion into the next edition of the Arrow.

- Vermuyden's Way 400 advert – Cllr Steers to provide by the end of the month. This can be repeated in a couple of months too.

2601/18 To consider attendance to the Royal Garden Party on 12th May 2026.

Resolved – the Council nominated Cllr Steers.

Proposed: Cllr Thorpe, seconded: Cllr Skelton. All in favour.

Cllr Steers to check the guidelines and if within the parameters, Cllr Steers to complete and submit the application form.

2601/19 To be notified of the ERNLLCA training events and seminars determining any actions required.
Cllrs to contact the Clerk if they would like to attend any courses.

2601/20 To be notified of the Police & Crime Commissioners Road Safety Fund & Auto Speed Watch and the Road Safety Measures Grant Scheme determining any actions required.
Item noted.

2601/21 To determine actions required with regard to an offer to run a series of archaeological digging of trenches in local gardens to simulate interest in the Vermuyden's Way 400 Landscape Project.
Cllrs Steers stated that this has previously been discussed at a Heritage meeting.
The intention is to approach the school in the summer and notify residents and children of the project with a view to residents digging trenches in their garden and bringing any finds to a nominated area.
An advert to be placed into the next Arrow.

Proposed: Cllr Skelton, seconded: Cllr Parkin. All in favour.

2601/22 To be notified of the correspondence received from Sgt Harrison regarding a local youth club determining actions required.
Cllr Kennedy to have a conversation with one of the leaders at the Youth Hub.

Finance/ Grants

2601/23 To receive a copy of the Financial Statement up to 27th January 2026.
Item noted.

2601/24 To consider the correspondence received regarding the defib located at Cumberworth Lodge and the purchase of an additional salt bin in the determining actions required.
Clerk to obtain information on the cost of a further defib for consideration at the next meeting.
Cllr Kennedy to speak with representatives of a defib training event being undertaken by the WI.
Clerk to submit a salt bin request for the installation of a bin on the bend from Owston Ferry to Graizelound crossroads.

2601/25 To consider the engagement of the Victoria Cross Charity to clean the memorials in the parish determining actions required.
Resolved – engagement of the VCC to clean the memorials. Clerk to check with the church regarding the two in the churchyard.

Proposed: Cllr Lindley, seconded: Cllr Thorpe. 11 for with 1 abstention.

2601/26 To determine actions required to ensure that the website is WCAG 2.2 compliant for March 2026.
Resolved – undertake the MOT of the site.

Proposed: Cllr Carlile, seconded: Cllr Lindley. All in favour.

2601/27 To consider entering the Centenary Best Kept Village competition for 2026.
Resolved – enter Westwoodside & Haxey into the competition. This will be discussed at the next Planting Group meeting particular to discuss the Categories to be entered.

Proposed: Cllr Steers, seconded: Cllr Lindley. All in favour.

Resolved – enter Low Burnham & East Lound into the competition.

Proposed: Cllr Skelton, seconded: Cllr Lindley. All in favour.

Expenditure

2601/28 To approve the following accounts.

19.12.25	Temp Clerk	Salary	594.15
03.01.26	BT	Phone & Broadband	74.92
13.01.26	G Backhouse	Handyman	
13.01.26	G Matthais	Dr Dysons expenditure	33.06
13.01.26	Cloudy IT	IT Support - 10103	47.50

14.01.26	NLC	Planning Fee	293.00
27.01.26	LIVES	Donation	250.00
27.01.26	D Hotson	Salary	██████████
27.01.26	HMRC	Tax & NI	508.37
27.01.26	NEST	Pension - Jan 26	155.20
Total expenditure up to 27th January 2026			£3,323.63

Proposed: Cllr Lindley, seconded: Cllr Parkin. All in favour.

2601/29 To agree the time and date of the next meeting as Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 7pm.

2601/30 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the item to be discussed if required.

Resolved – to closed the meeting.

Parish Land.

The Council discussed the information received and agreed the following actions.

1. Contact the resident stated that they must go through a solicitor.
2. All costs will be met by the resident.
3. Once communication received from a solicitor the LWP will meet to discuss.

Resolved – as above.

Proposed: Cllr Parkin, seconded: Cllr Skelton. All in favour.

Appendix A – Abbreviations

AA	Allotment Association
CCC	Caravan & Camping Club
CEP	Community Emergency Plan
Cllrs	Councillors
DPD	Development Plan Document
EA	Environmental Agency
ERNLLCA	East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Council Advisors
FP	Footpath
HPFA	Haxey Playing Field Association
HMRC	His Majesty's Revenue & Customs
HWRCC	Humber Wolds Rural Community Council
ICCM	Institute of Cemetery & Cremations Management
LDF	Local Development Framework
LWP	Land Working Party
LWT	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
NATs	Neighbourhood Action Teams
NHW	Neighbourhood Watch NHP
NLC	North Lincolnshire Council
NLH	North Lincolnshire Homes
PCC	Parochial Church Council
P&CC	Police Crime Commissioner
PP	Planning permission
PPAG	Parish Plan Action Group
PROW	Public Right of Way
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
TEN	Temporary Event Notice
T & PC	Town & Parish Council
WLHH	We Live Here Haxey
WPFA	Westwoodside Playing Field Association
WPFMC	Westwoodside Playing Field Management Committee
WWS	Westwoodside