HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 29th September 2026 at 7pm at the Foreman Carter Centre, Westwoodside.

Present: **Cllrs Farmer, Harris, Holgate, Knowles, Parkin, Skelton & Steers.**

Also Present: **Parish Clerk – Deb Hotson**

Chairman: **Cllr Steers presided.**

2609/01 Apologies and reasons for absence received from Cllrs Booth, Bond, Carlile, Cunningham, Kennedy, Lindley & Thorpe.
It was noted that Cllr Martin had resigned. The Clerk will inform NLC. Cllr Steers has sent him a thank you note.

2609/02 Public Participation – no members of the public present.

2609/03 To approve the following minutes:
Resolved – the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th July 2026 were approved as a true and correct record.
Proposed: Cllr Knowles, seconded: Cllr Farmer. All in favour.

2609/04 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 Skelton declared a person interest in agenda item 2609/25.
Cllrs Parkin & Harris declared a person interest in agenda item 2609/26.

2609/05 To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items listed.
Dispensations granted regarding item 2609/13 due to the Parish Council being Sole Trustees of WPFA.

2609/06 **Planning**
To note the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 25th August & 23rd September 2026.
Minutes noted.

2609/07 **Clerks Report**

a. Information received from The Giant Tree Circle.
b. Thank you from Mr & Mrs Kuchnir for the gift card.
c. The ERNLLCA District Meeting scheduled for 21/10 has been postponed. The AGM in 22/10 is still going ahead. Cllr Knowles to attend.
d. WLHH grant request – next agenda.

Highways / Neighbourhood Services / North Lincolnshire Council items

2609/08 To be notified of the comments from the Licensing department regarding premise license grant PRM44849 Pond Farm, Station Road determining actions required.
Resolved – The Clerk to write to NLC Licensing department complaining about the way this was dealt with. Regardless of NLC not contacting the Chair due to the Clerk being on holiday the comments from NLC stating that the comments submitted were not relevant to Licensing are not acceptable. The Parish Council stand by the comments submitted are relevant to the parish who represent the residents.
Proposed: Cllr Knowles, seconded: Cllr Harris. All in favour.

2609/09 To receive an update on all outstanding highway issues including the state of repair to the parish pavements determining actions required.
The following are believed to be outstanding:

- Tower Hill, opposite Mill Lane – house on the corner – hedge overhanging the highway. Clerk to chase.
- Damaged salt bin on Craycroft – Cllr Steers to check to see if this has been replaced.

- Rose Garden – no responses received from the emails sent.

Clerk to chase up Ward Cllrs for an update for the next meeting.

Clerk to report the following highway issues:

- Doncaster Road – B1398 – undulating road.
- Idle Bank – undulating road.
- Tower Hill – dip in the road, supposedly being monitored but getting worse.
- Epworth Road just before Low Burnham from Epworth – dip in the road has been getting worse of the past 12/18 months.

2609/10 To receive an update on the installation of the bus shelters on the High Street & Doncaster Road determining actions required.

The Clerk has written to NLC for an update but to date did not receive an update. The Clerk will chase this up with the Ward Cllrs.

2609/11 To receive an update on the site meeting held with the Parish Council, NLC and the Police regarding highway concerns on Low Street and the High Street determining any further actions required.

Item to be removed until further information after the meeting in December.

Reports / Updates

2609/12 To receive a report from the Ward Councillor on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.

No report provided.

2609/13 To receive the minutes and accounting details from the Westwoodside Playing Field Management Committee determining any actions required.

The information was circulated prior to the meeting.

2609/14 To receive an update report on Westwoodside Pond determining actions required.

The Clerk has written to the tenant of some parish land to look at putting some or all of the silt on to that land.

Cllr Parkin has spoken to a farmer who will hopefully assist the council in removing the silt and draining the pond. Further details to be confirmed.

2609/15 To receive an update report from the Planting Working Group determining any actions required.

The new planters, compost and plants have been received with funds from the NLC Community Fund. They are out and planted.

Members will be attending the CPRE Best Kept Village Presentation. Cllr Steers will manage the vouchers and will also collect the certificates for display at the centre.

2609/16 To receive an update report on the Isle Country Show determining actions required.

This year's show has been postponed. Item to be removed until further notice.

2609/17 To receive an update report regarding this year's Remembrance Service including an update on the cleaning of the war memorial and the installation of the Haxey Pinfold flagpole determining actions required.

The war memorial listed building application to clean has been submitted to NLC. The sundial to be added at a later date.

Cllrs Knowles, Skelton & Farmer to arrange to install the flagpole. This needs to be no higher than 12ft.

The following is an update of the Remembrance Service Day and Sunday service.

- Clerk to ask the contractor to cut back the hedge and overhanging hedge from the negihbouring property at Haxey Pinfold.
- Clerk to book Cllr Knowles on to the War Memorial seminar.
- The suggested donations for the poppies, PCC and Methodist Church donations were approved.

General Items

2609/18 To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
Cllrs to advice the Clerk of any items.

2609/19 To notify the Clerk of items to be submitted for inclusion into the next edition of the Arrow.

- Remembrance Service information.

2609/20 To be notified of the ERNLLCA seminars and training courses determining actions required.
Cllr Knowles to attend the ERNLLCA AGM.

2609/21 To be notified of the DSA Airspace Consultation determining any actions required.
Item noted.

2609/22 To be notified of the potential heritage project determining actions required.
Cllr Holgate to contact the person regarding this project on behalf of the Haxey Parish Cultural & History Group.

2609/23 To be notified of the 2026 Best Kept Village Results determining actions required.
All parishes have done very well and the Planting Group have worked very hard. Cllr Steers has thanked the Group and the Clerk to do this also.
Low Burnham and East Lound to be congratulated too.
Cllr Steers has been given a cleaning set for street signage from Cllr Kennedy. The Clerk to ask Ward Cllrs what communication has been received regarding this, what reimbursement will Town & Parish Councils receive, what training will be carried out.

Finance/ Grants

2609/24 To receive a copy of the Financial Statement up to 29th September 2026.
Noted.

2609/25 To consider the installation of electricity at Haxey Pinfold and Dr Dysons Garden.
Item deferred again. Cllrs Holgate & Cunningham to arrange a meeting with the NLC representative.
The Clerk to create two different agenda items and decision to be taken when all costs are available.

2609/26 To consider a grant request and planning application request from Haxey PFA.
Resolved – approval of a £3,000 grant and the Council will apply for the planning covering the cost up to a sum of £500 and utilising the discount available.
Proposed: Cllr Skelton, seconded: Cllr Harris. Al in favour.

2609/27 To consider the membership renewal for CPRE.
Resolved – approval to renew the membership at a cost of £36.
Proposed: Cllr Holgate, seconded: Cllr Skelton. All in favour.

2609/28 To be notified of the Community Safety Fund determining any actions required.
Item noted.

2609/29 To receive the External Auditor PKF Report for year ending 03/26 determining any actions required.
Report noted.

2609/30 To review and approve the 2026 insurance renewal.
Resolved -approval of the renewal.
Proposed: Cllr Holgate, seconded: Cllr Skelton. All in favour.

Expenditure

2609/31 To approve the following accounts.

31.07.26	Haxey & WWS Bowls	Grant	900.00
31.07.26	NS Groundcare	WWS verges 840/26	1,080.00
31.07.26	NS Groundcare	Haxey church 831/26	108.00
31.07.26	Amberol	Planters - Grant funded	3,981.00
04.08.26	Walkers Nurseries	Compost - Grant	280.00

		funded	
04.08.26	G Backhouse	Handyman	
04.08.26	Cloudy IT	IT Support 12553	47.50
05.08.26	BT	Phone & Broadband	87.47
07.08.26	NS Groundcare	Epworth verges	1,320.00
18.08.26	North Lincolnshire Council	SLA Bins	843.48
25.08.26	PKF Littlejohn	External audit fee	504.00
25.08.26	NEST	Pension- August	180.72
25.08.26	HMRC	Tax & NI	616.27
25.08.26	D Hotson	Salary	
28.08.26	J Beadshall	Bulbs & Plants	419.20
04.09.26	BT	Phone & Broadband	85.00
11.09.26	Cloudy IT	IT Support - 12880	47.50
11.09.26	G Backhouse	Handyman	
11.09.26	Arrow Publication	Article Fee	354.00
22.09.26	Haxey Memorial Hall	Hire of hall	60.00
22.09.26	Axholme Wildlife Management	Pest Control	25.00
29.09.26	D Hotson	Salary	
29.09.26	HMRC	Tax & NI	530.10
29.09.26	NEST	Pension - Sept	160.30
30.09.26	Zurich Municipal	Insurance renewal	1,088.01
Total Expenditure September 2026			**17,096.27**

Resolved – approval of the accounts for payment.
Proposed: Cllr Holgate, seconded: Cllr Steers. All in favour.

2609/32 To agree the time and date of the next Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 27th October 2026, at 7pm at The Foreman Carter Centre, Westwoodside..

2609/33 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.

- Grass verge contract – **resolved –** due to the repeated complaints from Epworth Council, Epworth Ward Cllrs and members of the public regarding the poor quality of the works, resulting in a breach of the contract provided the Parish Council as a good will gesture and without prejudice will contribute towards the cost of the fuel and pay 20% of the invoices totalling £340.
  Proposed: Cllr Farmer, seconded: Cllr Harris. All in favour.
- WhatsApp Group – this is a information group, not formal and not to express personal views. For Haxey Parish Council issues only.
- LWP recommendations **resolved –** approval of all recommendations.
  Proposed: Cllr Holgate, seconded: Cllr Parkin. 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