

The Parish Councillors of HARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to a meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 8th July 2025 commencing at 7.30pm in Hargrave Village Hall.
Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting and can speak during the public forum, thereafter, the public are welcome to stay and observe the meeting but may not address the council.

MINUTES

1.	<p>Chairman's welcome and opening statement – Cllr deLaat deputising for Cllr Taylor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To inform the parish of the change of day for meetings. Will be held on the 2nd Tuesday every other month. – All agreed b) To inform the parish of conjoining the APM and AGM in 2026. – All agreed c) To co-adopt new councillors – Toby Bancroft & Antonia King both voted in – all agreed. S deLaat welcomed them both.
2.	<p>Apologies –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To receive and accept apologies and reason for absence. Sharon Mattheus – work commitments, Bobby Bennett – Other meetings, David Taylor – Holiday
3.	<p>Declarations of interest -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests and non-registerable interests. b) To receive notification of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50.00. c) To note the determination of requests for dispensation. Planning application for Shooter Farm – Sally Cansdale.
4.	<p>PUBLIC FORUM –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Richard Jozefowski – Footpaths Suffolk County Council's cutting schedule has been extended to Hargrave. The bridleway is difficult for horse riders to use Suffolk County Council have contacted the landowner, they will be cut after the bird nesting season is over. Richard will try and get them added to the cutting schedule. b) Update of what's happening at Church Lane. Water running down the lane to The Wash was caused by a water leak, this has now been fixed by Anglian Water. The water runs into the ditch which has been pushed in by vehicles. Open reach has put a box on Victor's land and in the ditch restricting the water flow. The reinstatement of the verge is what the residents would like. Do we have an Icey weather sign. – AP1 – SdL this is being considered.
5.	<p>To agree and sign minutes from meeting 21/05/25 – Proposed by S deLaat and seconded by D Williams <i>(Paper copies to be signed off by the Chairman for the file)</i></p>
6.	<p>REPORTS FOR INFORMATION –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Report from County Councillor – Bobby Bennett – Seen as read b) Report from District Councillor – Mike Chester – Seen as read c) Report from Village Hall Charity – Simon de Laat – The village hall hosted a repair café. 50 people attended to have items repaired. There is a planned ticketed event in October, more details to follow. d) Report on Neighbourhood plan – remove from agenda. e) Report on SID data – D Williams, latest figures show that speeding is dropping because of the SID machine flashing up in the village. Only 41% of people are sticking to the speed limit while leaving

	the village. 80% of people are sticking to the speed limit coming into the village. Can we find out if we can get the numbers from the speed watch. AP2 – NC
7.	Review action points from last meeting – as previously circulated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP3 – DT To source extra funding for the Birds End speed limit change. To complete the proposed speed limit changes to Birds end will require around £12000, of which we only have £3000 promised. Additional sources of funding will be required should the PC continue to agree to the project. Action DT to enable a further PC discussion on options going forward. Can we raise with the MP Contact M Fox to see what alternative we can provide. Carry Forward • AP4 – DT Hargrave Heritage Society –To investigate a solution to transfer the website over. To be discussed with Paul Rogers. Carry forward • Grazing licence – amend to a longer notice period and resend AP11 – NC – Done
8.	To receive and consider all financial matters coming forth from the RFO – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) To approve items for payment – future and retrospective. – All approved b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting. – All approved c) To consider and receive the Bank Reconciliations for period. – All approved d) Added DT removed CP - Done
9.	To receive and consider matters relating to the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) To discuss other improvements to Birds End. – The PC realistically cannot fund the project. Can we use the money earmarked by Mary Evans for other uses, assuming it is still available. AP5 – SdL To contact B Bennett to see if we can use the money elsewhere. b) To discuss a meeting with the Parish & Nick Timothy MP. – Non political, open meeting for the residents to ask their MP questions. Are we happy to host. All in favour. AP6 – SdL To arrange. c) To acknowledge e-mail from resident re Church Lane - Done d) Play area slide – Smaller slide is broken. It has been taped off for safety. We have received a quote for £791.64 for a replacement. B Bennett and M Chester have offered grants to help cover the cost. All in favour to replace. AP7 - NC to apply for grants and order. e) Tree survey – T Bancroft to complete a survey of our green spaces. Over the summer look at the environment in Hargrave can we do it better. AP8 – TB
10.	Planning Applications to be considered by the council Shooters Farm – Holiday let – Support as its in line with the NHP. AP9 – NC To submit a comment on the planning portal.
11.	Items for discussion at the next meeting. Biodiversity survey of the village
12.	Date of future meetings: 9 th Sept 2025
13.	Close of meeting 8:35pm