Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 11th September 2025 at 7.30pm

Sept 25 1 to consider any apologies for absence

Mr Bevans – accepted Cllr Rainbow

Absent

Mr Wright

Present

Chair Mrs Blackburn, Mrs Denyer, Mr Paris, Mr Subramanian, Mr Bust, Clerk Mr Rickett, RFO Mrs Rickett

Mr Connor Field – Community Protection Officer

Mr Field was unable to attend, invite him to a future meeting

Sept 25 2 declarations of Councillors interests and dispensations

None

Sept 25.3 To approve minutes of the meeting held on August 28th and to receive updates from the previous meeting

A. First aid training

The Chair had received information from the WI, that the WI are concentrating on CPR RFO to contact the WI to arrange training that is open to the public as well as the WI and Halam PC

B. Planning St Michael's Close

Nothing further

Sept 25 4 To adjourn to allow public participation

A member of the public asked if we knew when the mobile library comes to Halam. Halam Village News editor will be contacted about this

Questions were also asked about using the defibrillators, they were told that instructions were on the box and once the defibrillator was connected it would talk you through the steps and would not shock unless necessary

FO to pass information to Mrs Blackburn and Mr Paris, so something can be put on the website and in the Village News

Sept 25 5 To receive updates from District and County Councillors

Cllr Laughton informed the PC that Reform had voted to add Gedling and Broxtowe to the City Council, this was still under negotiation

Sept 25 6 Finance

To Pay	
Churchyard Bench Plaque	59.93
VE Day flyers	48.00
Cleaner no invoices received	
Allotment clearance	500.00
Clerk's unpaid back pay	107.52

This was agreed to pay, after discussion that the clerk authorised payment into an account that wasn't in his name – proposed Mr Paris seconded Mr Bust 4 for 1 against

sept 25 7 Village Hall

Maintenance Schedule

Agreed to continue monthly with this

Autumn/winter flowers need doing

Village Hall guttering to clear, clerk has done this, but will do it again later in the year

Cleaners insurance

The Clerk informed the PC that the cleaner does not have public liability. Agreed the clerk to put out for quotes

Sept 25 8 Allotments

Update

The clerk will update the contract to include the removal of all tyres if the plot holder gives up their plot

Mr Paris to find out how the title deeds are progressing

Sept 25 9 Roads and hedges

Parking School Lane

A letter has been received from the Head of Halam School, stating she came into school during the summer holidays and 6 or 7 cars were parked on School Lane right up to the junction. It was also noted that building work was being carried out at the property opposite the school and their cars and vans were parked on both sides of the road. Clerk to speak to the Hairdressers and the owners of the property at the end of School Lane

Notts County Council

Overhanging trees on Halam Hill – the clerk informed the PC that these would be done in due course

Footpath no 7

The owner of the field has been speaking to the footpaths officer and the bridge should be repaired by the end of September

Sept 25 10 Harvest Supper to discuss proposed plans

The flyer will be distributed 3 weeks before the event (October 12th)

After discussion it was agreed to allow a budget of £375 for food, proposed Mr Subramanian, seconded Mr Bust - Mrs Denyer to co-ordinate.

The wine will pay for itself, 8 white, 8 red, 8 prosecco, proposed Mrs Denyer, seconded Mr Bust. Mr Subramanian to apply for the license – approx. £30 Mr and Mrs Reid will be asked to lend the glasses

Mrs Thornewill will decorate the Hall

Sept 25 11 correspondence

Aqua sacs – NSDC have offered to supply these at cost price

The PC decided not to buy any, for the same reasons as last year – not re-usable, don't know how many and heavy to lift

Sept 25 12 Lengthsman quotes

2 have been received and possibly another to come, clerk pointed out time is going, so a decision is needed – one was for £1440 and the other £650

As there was no obvious difference between them the PC agreed to go with the lowest, proposed Mr Subramanian seconded Mr Paris. The RFO pointed out that there may be a slight increase or decrease in the cost of removing soil etc. Agreed the RFO could set up a £200 deposit

Bridge railings, it was pointed out that the paint on the railings was flaking and was leaving hard sharp points, agreed it could be a Health and Safety issue

The hole in the kerb around a drain was getting bigger and is a trip hazard, agreed the Clerk would contact NCC and point out work needed doing urgently

Sept 25 13 biodiversity

Nothing to discuss

Sept 25 14 Planning

None

Planning decisions

None

sept 25 15 To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and resolve to exclude public and press for these item

no items

sept 25 16 items for the next agenda

budget for the precept allotment contracts new Village Hall cleaner

sept 25 17 Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 9th October 2025 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9.04pm