

Hinxton Parish Council: Minutes of meeting held 12th January 2026

Present:

Sarah Robinson- Vice Chair

Hugh Taylor

Mike Boagey

Chris Elliott

Andy Brown

Anne Charteris-Clerk

Members of the Public: 4

	Part 1 : Non confidential information.
2601/0 1	To receive and approve apologies for absence: Ceri Williams and Cllr McDonald
2601/02	To receive members' declaration of interest for items on this agenda CE-Weir
2601/03	To sign and approve minutes of meeting dated 10th November 2025 Approved and signed off.
2601/04	Exclusion of the Public. To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the Public excluded. The response from SCDC planning dept re the Pre-application of the extension of the Village Hal had just been received. as the Parish Councillors had not yet seen this, it was decided to discuss the letter in the closed session of the Agenda.
2601/05	Report from South Cambridgeshire District Councillor P McDonald. Cllr McDonald was not present, however the full report can be found on the Hinxton PC website. In brief: £900k support for Community Projects Grants totalling £900,000 for local organisations that support residents of all ages The latest round of grant funding for local voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations – totalling £900,000 - has been announced. Cost of Living Support A £449,000 package of support will tackle cost-of-living challenges for the next two years. A budget of £449,000 has been approved to help South Cambridgeshire residents through the next two years of cost-of-living financial pressures. This includes an innovative IT tool called the Low-Income Family Tracker (LIFT) to identify residents who are eligible for benefits but not currently claiming them. LIFT was developed as part of the Council's previous cost-of-living work, and its success means it will continue to reach those most in need. IWM Duxford Avtech Plans 2026 A new AvTech project is set to be submitted to South Cambs in the Autumn of 2026. So far we know that it is planned a £162m investment and 1,200 jobs over a period of 3-5 yrs. Duxford AvTech is planned to be the UK's new home for the research and development, prototype testing, certification and manufacture of new low- and zero-carbon advanced air mobility technologies. The technologies that will be developed include electric, hydrogen and hybrid-powered aircraft, alternative power sources, new materials, and associated technologies and services to shape future air transport. It is a joint project between Gonville & Caius college and the IWM.

	<p>Key local concerns will be the air traffic and road traffic entering and exiting from the A 505.</p> <p>County Council Budget</p> <p>Councillors on the Strategy, Resources and Performance Committee considered the next stage in the development of the Council's draft business plan and budget proposals for 2026/27. You can read the full business plan and budget proposals on our website. https://yourvoice.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/business-planning/business-planning-26-27-phase-2-engagement/</p> <p>2601/06 Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Wellcome Trust Campus Development Hoardings have now been erected and advertisements will be put up soon. Details can be found in the recent planning application Public Access Link: https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-applications/PLAN/25/05022/ADV b. Village Hall extension. The pre-application has been submitted and a response has been received from James Tipping at SCDC. This to be discussed later in the Agenda. It may slow things down slightly but hoped that work will begin late spring/early summer. c. Wetlands Committee. Nothing to report. d. Playground Nothing to report. e. Quiet Lanes. Things have been quiet from our contact in Duxford, Mike Boagey will chase this up. f. Highways. A505 report and LHI application. Clerk has applied again for a 20mph speed limit throughout the village g. River/weir report. Cambridge Past Present and future now have enough funding to start work on the bridge, possibly starting in April. h. CLG meeting 3rd Dec. This was mainly concerned with the Energy Farm which will be built near to the A11, noise and light levels should be acceptable. This Farm will also act as an educational site and will invite children from local schools to visit. i. Hinxton News contribution from Wellcome. A meeting was held with Wellcome to discuss the funding of the News Editor, it is hoped this will continue, awaiting their response. As this will also be distributed to the new residents at the Wellcome site, this will be beneficial to them. It was suggested that maybe the newsletter could be charged for eg Shelford's costs 50p, this will be put on the Agenda for discussion at the next meeting. <p>2601/07 Public participation time. 15 minutes allowed</p> <p>Ivy overgrowing the fence in New Road junction, Clerk to contact Wellcome again. Cyclepath to Sawston- surface very slippery with leaves, grates are breaking with holes appearing, Clerk to contact Highways with photos supplied by Paul Breen. Potholes still a problem, especially in Shelford. Some repairs in the village starting to break up. It was asked why the Village Hall pre-application would be discussed in the closed section- this was only because the Parish Council needed to look at it first, the outcome would be shared as soon as possible</p>
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2601/08

New items for discussion and correspondence.

- Dog poo/litter bin south end of village? It had been brought to our attention that there was quite a bit of litter in Ickleton Road, especially near the level crossing. Could we install a bin for litter or maybe out up our spare dog poo bin? Hugh Taylor to arrange a meeting with litter pickers to see exactly where the problem lies and if we could put a bin up. Thanks were given to the team of litter pickers who do such a good job keeping the village clean.
- Reverting to full meeting every 2 months, with Planning meeting if required in-between . This was discussed but thought that at present we should keep to a monthly meeting, especially with the Village Hall extension plans still not finalised.
- Storage/ Community shed proposal. Mike Boagey has been looking for a building in the area to open up a new Community Shed, like the one that he goes to in Saffron Walden. Several places have been suggested but nothing at present, however he has just heard that there may be something suitable in the village, this will be followed up. It would not be possible to put something up at the Village Hall due to planning restrictions. We will have a container to store tables, chairs etc once building is underway.
- Six free trees as whips or one larger tree? It was agreed to order 6 whips, plant in the allotments for now until a suitable location is found. Clerk to place order.

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FINANCE**Bank Balances at 5th Jan 2026**

Current A/C :	£3,605.67
Business /AC :	£ 41,879.18
Village Hall sec 106 /AC:	£75,251.49
Total:	£120,736.34

Payments were approved and signed off.

Clerk/HMRC	salary/tax/ ink/paper /WFH expenses	confidential
Microsoft	Storage	£70.56
S Lotte	Hinxton News editor	£200.00
Hugo Fox	Website hosting	£72.98
EE	Broadband	£32.99
LLoyds	Service charge	£8.50
LVP	Architects	£810.00
SEE	Streetlighting	£27.74
RBL	Wreath	£25.00
J Garnier	Donation for sweets at Halloween	£140
SEE	Gas & electric	£280.88
John Selby	Heritage assessment	£450.00
MD Landscapes	Grass cutting	£260.00
H Taylor	Gift vouchers for litter pickers	£83.00
SCDC	Pre application Hall planning	£1548.00
McAfee	Pc protection 2 years	£74.99

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Payments Received

LLoyds	Interest.	£121.56
Allotments	rents	£110
SLCC	Bursary for CAB ref book	£36.00

2601/11	<p>Planning Applications Received.</p> <p>Local Planning Authority: South Cambridgeshire District Council Proposal: Display of advertisements on hoarding and fencing to the east and west of the A1301. Site address: Wellcome Trust Genome Campus Cambridge Road Hinxton Reference: 25/05022/ADV Public Access Link: https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-applications/PLAN/25/05022/ADV</p> <p>No objections but Council will monitor to see how it goes- size, number of adverts and neatness etc.</p>
2601/12	<p>Items to report for inclusion of next meeting Hinxton News funding.</p>
2601/13	<p>Dates of next meetings Village Hall 7.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9th February 2026 9th March 2026</p>
2601/14	<p>Part II: Confidential Information Exclusion of the Press and the Public: To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the meeting.</p> <p>A letter had been received from the Planning department which had several advisories and some inaccuracies in it, these will be addressed and a response sent. As soon as we hear back from them, we will present it to the village for their thoughts and approval.</p> <p>Signature: <i>Anne Charteris</i> Parish Clerk 6th Jan 2026</p>