MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HASTINGLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL
ON 8th SEPTEMBER 2026 HELD IN EVINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Day (Chair) Cllr Dryland
Cllr Helmer Cllr Hill

Cllr Betty and the Clerk.

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Jakeman.

2. To receive declarations of interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.

There were no declarations of interest made.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21st July 2026.

The minutes were signed as a true record.

4. To discuss matters arising from the above minutes not covered by the agenda.

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

5. To receive reports from the Borough Councillor.

Cllr Betty had circulated his report.

6. Public Session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

7. Financial matters:

To note the Parish Council's financial position for the beginning of the new Financial Year.
The Parish Council noted it had £2,965.70 in the bank account.

To authorise the following payments:

Tracey Block	Salary	223.12
HMRC	PAYE/NI	55.60
Lloyds Bank	Bank Charges	4.25
Tracey Block	Salary	222.92
Lloyds Bank	Bank Charges	4.25
HMRC	PAYE/NI	55.80

8. To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment.

The Parish Council considered the Risk Assessment and there were no changes to be made.

9. Planning matters: to authorise a response to any application(s) and to note any recent planning decisions by Ashford Borough Council or any correspondence on planning matters

BESS at Brabourne is to be decided at a Planning Appeal with the Planning Inspector in December.
A new solar farm consultation was noted next to the BESS.

There was a discussion regarding the Local Plan and the sites that have been brought forward following the call for sites.

There was a question regarding the Inland Border Facility, HMRC have moved their functions.

10. Any Other Business (for information purposes only):

Les Johnson award was discussed. This will be presented at the Christmas Market.

11. Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council.

Tuesday 10th November 2026 Tuesday 12th January 2027
Tuesday 9th March 2027 Tuesday 11th May 2027

Signed: ……

Date: ……..