

**Hales and Heckingham Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting of
Hales and Heckingham Parish Council (HHPC)
At 7.30pm on Monday 7th of July 2025
Held at Hales Assembly Hall, Briar Lane, Hales**

Present: George Buckle (Chairman) (GB)
Keith Beevor (KB)
Akhil Pramanik (AP)
Sheila Beckett (SB)
Martine Rebbeck (Parish Clerk)

1. Welcome by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed and thanked everyone present for attending the meeting.

2. Apologies & Approval of Absences from Council Members

No apologies received.

3. Declaration of Interest for items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Ratification of Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd of March 2025

Ratification of minutes for above date was agreed.

5. County and District Councillors Updates

Cllr Jeremy Rowe had circulated his monthly report earlier.

6. Updates from Individual Councillors

GB advised that data needs to be downloaded from the SAMS sign to send to the police, GB do action. There has been no speed watch in the village due to lack of volunteers.

7. Rubbish Bins

Apologies from GB has not had time to look at rubbish bins.

8. The Pastures Hales

The Pastures Hales contacted the Parish Council to give money on there just giving page. It was agreed by all Parish Councillors that the Parish Council would give a donation. PC to contact direct for payments details.

9. Church Yard-Maintenance

Complaint of facebook regarding maintenance at Heckingham Church Yard. Both Hakes and Heckingham Churches are maintained by the Church Conservation Trust. H&HPC do assist by getting a maintenance contractor to be cut in the spring and autumn. This contract is currently out for tendering.

10. AGAR

PC advised that the AGAR will be submitted late due to issues with the years PAYE, email has been sent to request an extension.

11. Bicycle Rack

Request has been made by a member of the Parish for a bicycle rack and the bus stop. GB and PC will investigate this as will need to contact South Norfolk District Council.

12. Invoices for Approval

Invoices were ratified or agreed for approval for payment as follows:

Payee	Gross Amount	Net Amount	VAT to reclaim	Purpose
				FOR RATIFICATION:
Martine Rebbeck	£326.72	£326.72	£0.00	s/o June 2025
HMRC	£47.20	£47.20	£0.00	PAYE –June 2025
				FOR APPROVAL
Loddon Garden	£72.00	£60.00	£12.00	Playground – Grass Cutting
Total	£445.92	£433.92	£12.00	

13. Agreed Date of Next Meeting – Monday the 1st of September 2025 at 7.30pm

14. Any other Business

GB and SB are concerned that the Parish Council are coming to a point that we may need to look at dissolving the Hales and Heckingham Parish Council. The Parish Council needs more Parish Councillors, volunteers and there are no attendees to Parish Meetings. It was proposed that the PC contact South Norfolk District Council via email to discuss what the procedures are.

15. Close of Meeting – 8.30pm