



Hodthorpe & Belp Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th January 2026 at 7:15pm in Hodthorpe Community Club.

Present: Cllr L Kerry, Cllr M Clarke, Cllr P Butts, Cllr S Murfin, Cllr J Clarke, Cllr J Scouler

In attendance: M Colton (The clerk), Cllr R Hallett (County), 2 members of the public

AGENDA PART 1 – Non confidential matter

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| 26.1 | Apologies
<u>Noted:</u> Apologies were received from Cllr D McGregor (District) |
| 26.2 | Declarations of Interest
<u>Noted:</u> A declaration of interest was made by Cllr M Clarke regarding the planning decision to be noted. |
| 26.3 | Exclusion of Public
No items in Part 1 of the Agenda were determined to be confidential |
| 26.4 | Minutes
Resolved: Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Wednesday 17 th November 2025 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair |
| 26.5 | Public Session
<u>Noted:</u> Cllr R Hallett updated Council that since the Christmas break the County council have been mainly working on budget matters.

A member of the public representing Hodthorpe Community Club updated Council that they are looking to possibly upgrade the current heating system and have been getting quotes for roofing works. They are also looking into grants to make the club more energy efficient.

<i>2 members of the public left the meeting at 7:35pm</i> |
| 26.6 | Clerks report
<u>Noted:</u> The Clerk's report was noted. |
| 26.7 | Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The Bank reconciliations for November 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairb) The Bank reconciliations for December 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairc) The payments for December 2025 were noted and signed |



- d) The payments for January 2026 were approved and signed
- e) The S106 funds report was noted
- f) The Precept for 2026-27 was agreed at £49,600

26.8

Allotments, Woodland Walk and Recreation Ground

- a) **RESOLVED:** The COSHH advice sheet was approved and the clerk is to send out to all Allotment tenants
- b) **NOTED:** The recreation ground project plans were reviewed and a further update is to be given at the February meeting.
- c) **RESOLVED:** It was agreed to carry on the grounds maintenance contract with Planterior.

26.9

Events

- a) **RESOLVED:** It was agreed to book the pantomime for the 7th January 2027 at 6pm.
The Clerk is to bring further details of an Easter event to the February meeting.

26.10

Village matters

- a) **RESOLVED:** It was agreed for the clerk to get quotes for replacing the Christmas lights with an additional 4 to be purchased .
- b) **NOTED:** The Clerk is to contact the nursery to find out if the hanging baskets can be split and how to get a price for the brackets needed for this.

26.11

Burial Ground

There is no update at this time.

26.12

Correspondence

NOTED: The community speedwatch correspondence was reviewed and the clerk is to post to Facebook to try and encourage volunteers.

26.13

Planning Applications

No planning applications were received

26.14

Planning decisions

Planning decision 25/00428/FUL was noted.

26.15

Meeting details

- a) **NOTED:** The next parish council meeting is to be held on 16th February 2026 with items to be with the clerk by 9th February 2026.

The meeting closed at 8:50pm