

At the Meeting of the Parish COUNCIL
for the PARISH of HORTON
held in Champney Hall at 7.00pm
Tuesday 16th June 2026

Present: Cllr B.Hickley, Cllr E.Larcombe, Cllr F. Bovingdon, Cllr E. Coogan

In attendance: Harley Spillane - Clerk

Members of the public: 3

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr B. Hickley Has welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies: Cllr G. Petrassi-Beck, Cllr D. Buckley

Absent: Cllr J. Patel, Cllr N. Cole

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

4. COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting Minutes for Tuesday 19th May were approved.

Proposed: Cllr E.Larcombe Seconded: Cllr E. Coogan **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

5. ACTIONS AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD 19TH MAY 2026

None

6. MEMBERS APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEE

i. **To appoint councillors to the Staffing Committee for 2026-27.**

Appointed: Cllr E. Larcombe, Cllr F. Bovingdon, Cllr B. Hickley, Cllr G. Petrassi – Beck

Proposed: Cllr B.Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Coogan **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

ii. **To appoint a Chair for Staffing Committee 2026-27.**

Appointed: To be appointed at the time of first meeting

iii. **To appoint a Vice Chair to the Staffing Committee 2026-27.**

Appointed: To be appointed at the first meeting.

7. ADMINISTRATION

i. **To review and approve Data Protection Policy**

No changes required

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

ii. **To review Communications Policy.**

No changes required

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

iii. **To review Equality & Diversity Policy.**

No changes required

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

iv. **To review Health & Safety Policy.**

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour: Unanimous**

v. **To approve T.O.R for Staffing Committee**

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- Proposed:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Seconded:** Cllr B. Hickley **Vote All In Favour:** Unanimous
- vi. **To approve T.O.R for the Finance Working Group**
- vii. **Proposed:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Seconded:** Cllr B. Hickley **Vote All In Favour:** Unanimous

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

i. **Planning Applications**

No applications received but there have been updates received to two applications.
Welly Conner planning application has been given permission to have 9 caravans.
Coppertops permission granted to knock down conservatory to build extension.

ii. **Appeals**

Data Centre has been granted its appeal to build it.

iii. **Enforcement**

Requested to investigate Bells Lane by Whites Manor by resident – Clerk looked during the meeting and confirmed the last planning application was in 2024.

9. COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- i. Flood Risk strategy forum is doing a survey. This has been placed on the Parish Council website.
Cllr B. Hickley has also requested it be shared on social media.

10. REPORTS FROM WARD COUNCILLORS

Cllr E.Larcombe – We see a rise in the council tax this year.

Surrey has been split into two, there is now East Surrey and West Surrey, between the 2 there is a high debt, they are currently being run by a shadow authority which was voted for in May. There will be an Election in May of next year both for the parish and the borough.

11. REPORTS

a) **Waterways Report.**

Surface water is becoming an issue, as hard surface has been put in and drainage is not sufficient.
River Thames Scheme has stalled. 120mil on the development of the scheme has been spent.
Land drainage is not sufficient in the area.

b) **Report From Flood Warden.**

None.

c) **Playground Report.**

- i. **To discuss and consider options for repairs required for the playpark. Current quote provided is for £3,509.20***

(*still awaiting on other quotes to come in at point of agenda being issued)

Due to upgrade plans for the playpark, further quotes are being requested to ensure best value for money on scope of work.

- ii. **Resistance penetration testing for wooden obstacle equipment.**

To approve the cost to have this done £550.00 ex VAT.

The Rospa inspection flagged that penetration testing would be advisable on the remaining obstacle course equipment. Clerk also advised due to having pieces already removed due to safety concerns it would be wise to have the remaining equipment tested.

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Second:** Cllr F. Bovingdon **Vote In Favour:** Unanimous

d) **Defibrillator Report.**

Champney Hall Defibrillator is fine, Pads changed in Feb 26, Battery still has 50%.

Alternatives being looked into for placement of the new one, here is now solar bus shelter cabinets, but this would require a shelter being put in at an existing stop which would require permission from RBWM.

Alternatively could Poyal Poplers be an alternative for the current solar and wind powered cabinet, which would still be close to Coppermill road and would also serve the nature reserve – Clerk to make enquires.

e) **War Memorial**

Clerk is working with a member of St Micheals Church on names on the memorial, and checking if any names are missing and those that are miss spelled.

12. CHAIR'S REPORT

a) **Chairs Report**

Drug dealing concerns in the area have been raised by a resident.

Complaint at Milton Close about beds in sheds. ABRI have assured that there are not anybody living in sheds, as an inspection was conducted, and no evidence was found, or of dog breeding.

RBWM spoken to with regards to issues at the borough with fly tipping.

Five bells being served legal notice this weekend although this has not been confirmed by the borough or the EA, but a resident has been informed.

Meeting with leader of the council on the 8th July.

If you would like anything raised let the clerk know.

Highways have been emailed about Welly corner site being accessed by vehicles via the footpath.

b) **Clerks Report**

The Clerk has delivered updates on the following:

Five Bells Pub –

Still no further update on when or if fly -tipping will be removed. Additional photos sent to the EA.

Crown Pub –

Photos sent into the Clerk have been sent to Enforcement at RBWM, no correspondence has been received back.

Stanwell Road –

Drains blocked by Colne Bank, causes flooding of the road during periods of heavy or prolonged rain fall.

Reported via FixMyStreet 3 months ago and no response to the report from RBWM residents have been advised reporting direct to RBWM under flooding and drainage.

Flood Risk Management Strategy 2026-2041

RBWM have released a flood risk management strategy survey. This has been posted on the HPC website.

Coppermill Road –

On the 12th June 3 more potholes were fixed.

Milton Close –

Cars parked on the path and verge. Reported at the N.A.G meeting held on the 2nd June 2026.

Welly Corner

Highways at RBWM have been chased again about the path being used to access the site by vehicles.

13. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

i. **Approval of Orders Of Payments**

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour:** Unanimous

ii. **To note payment of £1,500 for the Church was sent to the wrong payee and has been refunded to be resent to St Micheals Church.**

To note that the payment due to St Micheals Church towards the grass cutting was sent to Garden Designs in error, this has now been returned and needs to be sent to the Church – Meeting min ref 21.04.2026

iii. **To Approve £50 yearly fee to Vision ICT for SSL Certificate to secure the website.**

Proposed: Cllr B. Hickley **Seconded:** Cllr E. Larcombe **Vote All In Favour:** Unanimous

iv. **DD for ICO will be debited from Parish Account on 28/06/2026 for £47.00.**

To Note the Direct debit for the ICO will be deducted from the bank on 28/06/2026.

14. EVENTS

a) **Remembrance Sunday**

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i. **To discuss arrangements for Remembrance Sunday**

Haven't heard from the Church, so I am going to do what we normally do, and will get road closure booked. Book the football club Marshalls again. Wigan Wonderers.

b) **Christmas Tree**

i. To discuss arrangements for the Christmas Tree.

The lighting of the Tree will be on Sunday 6th December. This year the studio will be turned into a Santas grotto for the kids to visit with Santa. Craft fair will be held in the Main Hall and a Snowman competition that will be judged by frosts with prizes.

15. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Res 1 Kingsmead Quarry, how long is that going for? – 2047 noise from the quarry has been causing problems, and it's a lot dustier. Concerns on the number of vehicles.

Clerk & Chair are arranging a meeting with someone from the site to raise concerns.

Res 2 Five bells, do we know what is going on?

Currently been no communication from RBWM.

Res3 Speed bumps Stanwell Road, cars still speeding. And they are rather high.

Nothing can be done as they meet requirements.

Res1 Issues with bin collection, only half the road was collected. Neighbours bin was taken but not ours.

Struggled to get the RBWM to come out and rectify.

Res 2 Does Horton have a litter picker.?

Horton Pc does not currently have a litter picker.

Res 3 Culvert/Gulley on Stanwell Road, are they cleared?

No, report them as there shouldn't be standing water in them.

16. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

10a bus did not turn up, and issues with it not going through Horton. Not very good service. Thursday.

People using village as airport parking due to number 5 bus.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Date of the next Parish Council monthly meeting will be Tuesday 21st July 2026

8.41pm meeting closed.

