

WEST HANNEY REGULAR PARISH MEETING
Held on Wednesday 6th May 2025 following Annual Meeting
Olde Hanney Room HWMH

PRESENT: Cllrs D Corps (Chairman), G Garner, P Packham, V Ruston and B Martin (Parish Clerk)

Attendees: - J Stagg, H & K Dorsett, A Wilkinson, J Cousins, T Colquitt, and V Carter

25/25 - Apologies — Cllr A Farrag

26/25 - Declarations of Interest — Cllrs Garner and Ruston - re-funding request for HWMH changing room refurbishment, to be considered under Matters Arising

27/25 – Public Participation

A Wilkinson asked if anything had been done with regards the overgrown branches and hedges effecting footpaths within the village. The clerk said that a letter had been sent to residents with overgrown hedges etc and that she would follow this up.

28/25 - Minutes of Last Meetings

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 5th March 2025 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

29/25 – Matters Arising from Minutes of Last Meeting

The sports teams changing rooms at Hanney War Memorial Hall are in urgent need of refurbishment. The projected cost is £9k, S106 grant will cover half, HWMH management committee have allocated £2.5k from reserves. A contribution of £1k towards the cost of the project is being sought from West Hanney Parish Council. Councillors resolved to allocate £1k of CIL contributions to this project.

The Clerk has not received an explanation why the VWHDC deep clean that was due in September did not happen.

30/25 - Chairman's Announcements

Helen Dorsett and the Chairman attended the appeal hearing into Manor Solar Farm to the east of Denchworth on 11th March 2025 and I accompanied the Inspector on a site visit the following day.

Cllr Garner and the Chairman attended the Flood Summit on 10th April 2025 hosted by East Hanney Parish Council, organised by Ollie Glover MP and supported by Future Flood Resilience Group and Hanney Flood Group. Causes of flooding, sustainable drainage systems, role of landowners and silt management, sewage overflows and infrastructure, bridge and culvert designs, community resilience & education, governance, policy and funding. Thames Water announced there would be a significant upgrade to Wantage Sewage Treatment Works (£40M over the next 5 years)

The Annual Parish Meeting was held jointly with East Hanney on 16th April 2025. The meeting was well attended.

Cllr Garner and the Chairman met with Chloe, Engagement Officer, Highways Engagement Team on 24th April 2025.

31/25 - Financial Report

The Clerk presented the Income and Expenditure account for the period 5^h March 2025 to 4^h May 2025. Councillors resolved to approve the accounts.

Councillors resolved to renew our Parish Insurance with Zurich

32/25 - Planning Applications and Planning Enforcement Actions

P23/V2673/FUL – Manor Solar Farm on farmland East of Denchworth.

Appeal Allowed 03/04/2025

P24/0781/FUL - Wicks House North Green West Hanney – Erection of Single Self Build Dwelling with Car Port - Application to change the site boundary to provide a new access road to the north of the current access to Wicks House

Application under consideration – revised objection to further amendments by the applicant submitted to Local Planning Authority.

P25/V0545/HH – 8 The Meads – alterations to ground floor extension, first floor addition to existing ground floor extension, new porch to front.

Application under consideration – No Objections

P25/V0484/FUL – Installation of new artwork on Meadow Way as part of Section 106 works to development approved under application No. P15/V2887/FUL

Planning Permission granted 29/04/2025.

P25/V0871/HH – 19 Meadow Way – Proposed Side Orangery

No Objections

Planning Enforcement Actions

P21/V1095/FUL - Land off School Road – Erection of 15 dwellings and associated works. VE23/221

Works to meet the Planning Conditions have now been completed

33/25– Replacement for storm damaged Speed Indication Device

A remote assessment of the damaged unit has been done and it is awaiting return to Elan City for further assessment and repair. Additional reinforcement for the buckets is now available.

34/25 – Community Speed watch Group

Community Speedwatch volunteers continue to experience abuse from passing motorists. Councillors resolved to purchase of 2 x Mini Bodycam's for volunteers to wear whilst undertaking Community Speedwatch sessions.

35/25 – Future Flood Resilience Group

West Hanney Parish Council have supported the application by FFRG for a flood grant from OCC to purchase the river height gauges and annual data licences to be installed across the wider catchment.

36/25 - Hanney Flood Group

Councillors resolved to increase the grant to Hanney Flood Group to £750 per annum.

37/25 – Ponds project to enhance Biodiversity and Nature Recovery in West Hanney

Cllr Corps met with Julian Parfitt to view the area of the new pond in the Community Woodland. Julian Parfitt may be able to assist with the baseline ecological and arboricultural surveys required for planning permission.

38/25 - Nigel Eady Community Woodland, Church Farm Meadow, and the New Orchard

Cllr Corps reported that the trees in the new orchard are looking healthy.

39/25 - Maintenance of trees, Verges, Greens, Hedges, Ditches and Footpaths in West Hanney

The 3-storm damaged/diseased trees at Headings Pond were felled on 21st March, and the stumps were subsequently ground out. 12 residents collected logs, there are wood chippings still available to collect. These trees will be replaced by specimen container grown trees in the autumn. The species of tree is still to be decided.

The damage caused to roadside verges and areas of West Hanney Village Green by Thames Water tankers during the sewerage operations earlier in the year are due to be repaired.

40/25 - Ownership and Maintenance of the Unrecorded Roads Crossing West Hanney Green

Cllrs Corps and Garner met with the highways engagement team when they visited the village on 24th April. Report and details of any work OCC Highways are planning to carry out is awaited.

41/25 - Public Art in Development

Planning Permission has been granted for the Meadow Way Sculpture. Cllr Packham is meeting with the Arts Officer

A groundwork contractor will be required to dig the 1.5m x 1m cylindrical hole securing the Artwork.

42/25 - Projects to enhance the community and environment of West Hanney

Deferred to next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 18th June 2025 - 7.30pm Olde Hanney Room HWMH

Signed Chairman..........Date.....18/6/25.....