



**Minutes of the meeting of East Hanney Parish Council:
on Wednesday 13th August 2025 at 7.30pm
in the Olde Hanney Room, Hanney War Memorial Hall.**

Councillors Present: Cllr Aram (Chair), Cllr Kirk, Cllr Dennill, Cllr Green, Cllr Newsome, Cllr Bligdon,

Councillors Absent: Cllr G Dennill

Also Present: Jim Stagg

Number of Press and members of the public which attended:

5

1. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr G Dennill

RFO – Jayne Dennill

2. To receive any Declarations of Interest from Councillors relating to items on the agenda.

Item 15 Cllr Dicken

Item15 Cllr Bligdon

3. To facilitate public participation with regard to items on the agenda. Anyone wishing to address the Council will be given three minutes to do so. The public participation period shall not exceed 30 minutes.

Graham Garner asked about the funding towards the village hall shower repairs. Cllr. Aram explained that due to the delay in the submission of the AGAR and subsequent finance works that the funding had only been signed off last week. The council agreed to make payment in August. Cllr Green noted that the peppercorn rent for the hall was overdue.

ACTION: Chair to email Mr Garner to notify them of the imminent payment, Clerk to email Mr Garner regards the outstanding rent.

4. To receive updates from the District Councillor.

None received

5. To receive updates from the County Councillor.

None received

6. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. It was proposed that this item should be amended to read: "To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Council and to review action points" **ACTION: Clerk to amend future Agenda.**

7. Email – About the rubble at Holmes Park, Hunter Av.- Cllr Aram

Cllr. Aram read the email from a resident highlighting the issue with the rubble which had been left over from the works completed by Vistry. The council had previously attempted to contact Vistry to clean the area and make safe without response. Due to the health and safety risk the Clerk had already authorised payment of £160 for rubble cleanup and £80 for chair slat repair to Handy Guy to make the area safe.

8. Email from resident – To donate funds towards upkeep of benches around Hanney in memory of her husband. – Cllr Aram

The council gratefully acknowledged the offer and agreed to supply information regarding cost of benches, installation etc to the resident. If acceptable, the council can then determine a location and gain approval if required. **ACTION: Clerk to email resident with costs, expected to be in the region of £800 for new bench and installation. Cllr Dickon to ask OCC to suggest a suitable location for a bench in the vicinity of the Lower Mill bridge.**

9. Litter/Dog Waste Bin in Halls Lane. – Clerk

OCC have been contacted and will survey the location. **ACTION: Clerk - Add to September's agenda for review**

10. Update on Ruby post Options – Cllr Kirk & Cllr Newsome.

Cllr. Kirk supplied information of three rugby posts of varying height and costs. It was agreed to proceed with purchase, however a lower – 6m – height was requested. **ACTION: Cllr Kirk to obtain a quote for 6m posts**

11. Banking deposit & saving account(s) proposal – Cllr Kirk

Cllr Kirk proposed a re-organisation of the council bank accounts to clarify the purpose of the funds and gain access to higher rates of interest. The Council also to endeavour to open saving accounts with new funders in due course to spread risk. The proposal would involve changing the current six accounts to nine as follows below. The new proposal means each funding pot will be managed and named for its purpose, and invested to obtain interest income where possible:

- i. Current Account - to hold day to day funding
- ii. 12month Fixed Account to hold approx. 45% of Rosie B's S106 funding on a longer-term fixed interest rate
- iii. 6-month fixed account to hold approx. 45% of Rosie B's s106 funding on a shorter-term fixed interest rate
- iv. 90 Day account to hold the balance of Rosie B's commuted sum. This provides reasonable access by Notice, for when operational funding is needed.
- v. Existing Account – general fund
- vi. Interest bearing saver account – Playing field expenses
- vii. Existing interest-bearing saver – Pavilion funding
- viii. Existing Business 35-day saver -General fund 2
- ix. Existing 95-day saver variable – Longer term variable deposit account

All agreed that the above proposal would increase interest income to the Council, reduce financial risk should an institute fail when further accounts with new banks were opened, and make it clearer where the funds were for.

It was also agreed that additional value received by the Council due to late payment from a contractor be used to help fund the Pavillion account and would therefore be of benefit to the community.

ACTION: Cllr Kirk will discuss the additional accounts with the RFO

Finance

12. Governance:

- a. To receive the Internal Audit report
Report received and approved by the Chair.
- b. To complete section 1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)
Section 1 of the AGAR was received and signed by the Chair.

- c. To complete section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)
Section 2 of the AGAR was received and signed by the Chair
- d. To note the dates of the Notice of Electors Rights from 15th August 2025 to 29th September 2025
Agreed
- e. To approve the redaction of signatures on the AGAR and other documents on the website.
Signatures to be redacted before publication on the website. ACTION: Clerk

13. Decisions to progress to ‘Call for Tenders’ for pavilion– Cllr Kirk

Cllr Kirk requested that the council considered calling for tender with regards the pavilion. This being a lengthy process requires several weeks to publish the request for tender. The council agreed to raise the RFQ and publish on approved government sites.

ACTION: Cllr Kirk to create tender, Cllr Aram to provide MUGA tender as an example.

14. To receive updates arising from the previous minutes and ongoing projects not otherwise on the agenda:

Project	Status (Black=Existing detail, Red = New Info)	Next Step/s
Land Registration	Register for the land at the A338 – bus stop Register for the triangle of land at Rosie Bee	ACTION: Cllr Green to discuss the funding with the RFO
Footpath	Repair to footpath from the iron bridge to stile	The Council agreed to proceed ACTION: Cllr Aram to re-issue tender for quotes
Pavillion	a. Awaiting Planning Decision b. Inform residents of change of ownership of the existing cricket pavilion, storage sheds and contents through notices on buildings c. Insurance	Plans in approval process, awaiting decision. ACTION: Cllr Aram to provide more information to residents. ACTION: Cllr Aram to respond as a Consultee in favour of the plans which supports the Neighbourhood Plan and community feedback. Cllr Aram attached the necessary notices to the building and agreed the movement of the assets to the council with David Johns The council agreed to contact our insurers to obtain cost of insuring the buildings and equipment ACTION: Clerk

Rugby Post	6m Quote required	ACTION: Cllr Kirk to obtain quote from Networld Sport for 6m posts
Footpath	Repair of footpaths funded through OCC grants	Agreed to proceed with the three repairs i. Alongside the allotments, ii. At Hunters Avenue to produce a ramp, iii. To repair the ramp at the corner of the village hall/MUGA. ACTION: Cllr Aram to contact contractor to go ahead
Litter/Dog Waste Bin	By the Lower Mill in Halls Lane	Awaiting for OCC's survey and outcome.
ROSPA Report	A number of repairs were noted by the report, none critical.	ACTION: Cllr Green & Cllr Bligdon to review the report and bring proposal/costs to the next meeting.
Gym	a. To complete the removal of the fencing and water bowser b. Complete the official opening ceremony	ACTION: Cllr Aram to contact Patsy Smiles regards an appropriate date
Tree Survey & Subsequent works	Report highlighted the Poplars by the allotment as requiring remedial actions.	ACTION: Cllr Green to obtain quotes for these and the trees on the village green
Bollards	Install art bollards to protect critical verges within the village. Previous quotes were obtained from the District Council Arts Officer, but no follow-up had been made.	ACTION: Cllr Bligdon & Cllr Green to review the proposal/funding and decide where the bollards could be located.
Hunters Playground	It was noted in the ROSPA report that the Arris rail was too close to the footpath and being used as a balance beam – which makes it non-compliant. The lowest cost solution is to remove the rail	ACTION: Cllr Green to obtain cost for removing the rail
Sovereign Depot	Lease renewal	ACTION: Clerk to send email

15. Finance Review

Invoices for payment were reviewed and approved by Cllr Newsome for payment.

16. Planning Application Review and Action as required.

P25/V1493/SCR - Request for an EIA Screening Opinion – Land at Steventon Rd, East Hanney

The council noted that the EIA was not requested by the Vale although a number of facts appeared to be incorrect: There are watercourses running around and through the proposed land, the existing scrapyard has potential for having caused pollution to the land and watercourses. There was no mention of the scrapyard despite it being very visible from the road.

ACTION: Cllr Aram to write to the planning dept at the Vale to point out the above items.

17. To note the date of the next normal meeting – Wednesday September 10th 2025 at 7:30pm
All proposals for the next agenda to be submitted to the Clerk by 4th September 2025
ACTION: Add actions from previous minutes to be reviewed as Item

Closed meeting at 9.34pm

Signed by:

Date: 10th September 2025