Meeting Minutes of Horningtoft Parish Council
Wednesday 9th September 26 at 7.30pm at St Edmunds Church, Horningtoft

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Present: Parish Councillors: Andrew Hill (Chairperson), Graham Drew, Tracey Hawke and Pauline Chapman

Also, present: Donna Secker (Parish Clerk), 3 members of the public

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Cllr Hill welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

1. **To consider accepting apologies for absence**
   Apologies were received from Cllr Hibberd, this was accepted.

2. **To consider any declaration of interest**
   No declarations of interest were received

3. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2026**
   The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

4. **To receive any brief updates from County and District Councillor**
   No report or updated information was received from the District and County Councillors

5. **Open Forum for Public Participation: an opportunity to hear from members of the public**
   A parishioner raised the item of the T-junction sign still being outstanding. The Clerk has been chasing this and has now received confirmation that this will be replaced within 6-8weeks

6. **To discuss and update on highway**
   The Clerk has written to a homeowner regarding overgrown hedges that are encroaching on the highway; unfortunately, the Council has reported that this hasn't been actioned.

   The Council are still pushing for the speed limit to be lowered on the B1146. The Clerk will contact the new County Councillor to arrange an on-site visit with the Council.

7. **To update the Council on the Village sign refurbishment**
   A parishioner has kindly offered to refurbish the sign at a reduced cost. The Council would like to express its sincere thanks for this very kind and generous offer. However, the Council would prefer the sign to simply receive a coating of oil and to remain in its current condition. The Clerk will inform the parishioner.

8. **To update the Council on the Speedwatch group**
   The speedwatch coordinator gave a report. Since 15th July, there has been a reduction in the traffic passing through the village because it is the holiday season. The speed watch has operated on only four occasions, totalling six hours. As a result, we have reported four speeding vehicles on Brisley Road travelling at speeds between 36 and 40 miles per hour (One of those vehicles was reported for a second time).

9. To update the Council on Dodman's Lane under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, 53.

Dodman's track has never been classified and this will now change and become a restricted byway. The Council have concerns that vehicles may use it as a vehicle track; the Council will be monitoring this.

10. Applications

10.1 To receive planning applications from Breckland District

10.2 To receive an update on application decisions taken by Breckland District Council

11. Finance

11.1 To approve the list of payments for September 2026

The Council agreed and approved the list of payments for September 2026

11.2 To review and approve the government pay increase regarding the Clerk's salary

The Council agreed and approved the government's salary increase for the Clerk's salary.

12. To receive items for the next meeting agenda on Wednesday, 11th November 2026

Budgets, B1146, review the hedge cutting back.

The meeting finished at 20.05

Cheque number	Cheque payable to	Reason for Payment	Cheque amount
100575	D.K.Secker-July & August back pay £15.45	Salary	£203.05
100576	Heartbeat	Support	£162.00
	Total		£365.05