

Meeting Minutes of Horningtoft Parish Council  
Wednesday 10th July 24 at 7.30pm at St Edmunds Church, Horningtoft

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Present: Parish Councillors: Andrew Hill (Chairperson), Tracey Hawke (Vice-Chairperson), Simon Hibberd and Pauline Chapman  
Also, present: Donna Secker (Parish Clerk), 1 member of the public and County Councillor Kiddle-Morris

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

**1. To consider accepting apologies for absence**

Cllr Drew sent his apologies and these were accepted. District Cllr Hunter-Clarke also sent his apologies.

**2. To consider any declarations of acceptance of office**

Cllr Hawke signed the declarations of acceptance of office

**3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the last meeting as a true record, and it was signed by the Chairman.

**4. To receive any brief updates from County and District Councillor**

District Cllr Hunter-Clarke and County Councillor Kiddle-Morris's report can be found on the website. Cllr Kiddle-Morris reported the devolution deal might be delayed due to the newly elected party. This was going to be discussed at the July full council meeting but will be delayed until December due to the new party.

**5. Open forum for Public Participation: an opportunity to hear from members of the public**

Nothing to raise.

**6. To report and update on highways**

Cllr Hill requested if there was any update on reducing the speed limit on Dereham road. It was suggested by the Council to Cllr Kiddle-Morris if the council would be able to apply to the Norfolk County Council under the Parish Partnership scheme for funding. Implementing a change in the speed limit may cost up to £10,000. Cllr Hibberd suggested that Horningtoft and Brisley could work in conjunction to obtain the funding. Cllr Kiddle-Morris will make enquiries if this can be achieved. It was suggested to have some speeding lines to give exact data on speeding and the vehicles that travel along that road. The clerk will contact the Safety Partnership department to see if this can be implemented.

Two parishioners have kindly surveyed the village and reported up to 36 Potholes to highways, It was noted that only 15/16 have been marked with white lines to be repaired currently. The Water leak on Whissonsett Road has been inspected by Anglian Water and hopefully, this will be fixed before the large pothole can be repaired.

The Horningtoft sign on the B1146 is yet again covered in vegetation and it is still on the record of highways to be moved.

It was noted that the footpath number 4 sign and number 2 signs need replacing. The Clerk will report these.

7. To update the Council on the fingerpost progress

The sign has now been completed and the Council again would like to thank the parishioner for his hard work and what an amazing improvement.

8. Applications

8.1 To receive planning applications from Breckland District

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

9. Finance

9.1 To approve the list of payments for July 2024

The Council agreed to the list of payments for July 2024 and the Clerk circulated the budget list for the Council review.

10. To approve and adopt the new Financial Regulations Policy

The Council agreed to adopt the new Financial Regulations Policy and it will be viewed and renewed every four years.

11. To discuss the Norfolk Neutrality Scheme

The Clerk received contact from a company in Fakenham that is working with Norfolk County Council to survey and potentially fit the new package treatment plants to parishioners that currently have septic tanks. The cost to fit the treatment plant will be approx. cost £15,000 but this will be free due to the scheme from Natural England and Norfolk County Council working together to prevent phosphates entering the River Wensum.

The costs involved to the residents would be to annual inspections and the electrical costs to run the treatment plant. Please see find the website link below if you would like further information

<https://www.norfolknutrientneutrality.co.uk>

12. To receive items for the next meeting agenda Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Meeting finished at 20.17

## FINANCE: 1st April 2024

Balances:-

### Business Premium Account.

Balance at 3rd April 2024	£1,944.52
Interest June	£7.27
Total	<u>£1,951.79</u>

### Community Account.

Balance at 3rd April 2024	£1,679.10
Payments cleared- May 24	£455.42
Vat refund	£54.00

Total

**£1,277.68**

Cheque number	Cheque payable to	Reason for Payment	Cheque amount
531	D.K.Secker-Nov-Dec	Salary	£174.42
532	K. Walpole, Apr, May & June	Grass cutting	£330.00
533	PCC -Church Hire	Hire	£100.00
534	Communityheart	Defib	£162.00
	Total		£766.42