## **HORAM PARISH COUNCIL**

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Jackie Cottrell – Clerk Dated: 14th AUGUST 2025

## Horam Parish Council Members are summoned to a Meeting to be held on WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025 at 7.30pm in the Horam Centre

Recordings, including filming, audio recording, photography and using social media sites is permitted at Council meetings which are open to the public.

Please contact the clerk **24 hours** before the meeting if you have any accessibility concerns regarding your attendance. A stair climber is available for wheelchair users, and a zoom link can be provided to attend the meeting virtually (audio access only).

**PUBLIC SESSION – 7.30 p.m. – 7.40 p.m.** Ten minutes are available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda. Each member of the public can speak for a maximum of 3 minutes for an item on the agenda requiring a resolution and a maximum of 2 minutes for any other item on the agenda. The public are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting.

The door to the Horam Centre will be unlocked 15 minutes before the meeting starts.

## AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as personal or pecuniary under the terms of the Code of Members Conduct

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- 3. **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING** held on 8<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025 to be confirmed and signed as a true record (attached)
- 4. REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR GREG COLLINS & DIANE GOULD(Circulated separately)
- 5. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOB BOWDLER (Circulated separately)
- 6. REPORT FROM PCSO

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Response Letter to the Chairman of the Village Hall & Recreation Ground Charity – validity of one parish councillors' position on the council & the corresponding responses received A267 Road Safety Group Update

Flexibus Update

Letter to WDC Chris Bending

Email from a resident providing information to enhance Maynards Green on HPC's website Email regarding the Safe Space Scheme

WDALC Agenda and minutes 16.7.2025, minutes 16.1.2025 plus further documentation

Wealden Clerks meeting notes 24.6.2025 with Devolution Presentation slides

HVH Agenda 17.7.2025

HVH minutes 22.5.2025

Landscape Sensitivity Report

Overview of the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill 2025

Local Government Pay Award information

Letter to the Chairman & Clerk from Cllr Trott

- 8. REPORT FROM PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN
- 9. REPORT FROM PARISH CLERK
- 10. REPORT FROM THE ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT
- **11. PLANNING -** Report from Councillor Graham Knight, Chairman of the Committee. *Please note that the Minutes of meetings are published independently*
- 12. FINANCE
  - (1) **RECOMMENDED** 
    - (a) To **RESOLVE** the CIL Monitoring Report for the 2024-25 financial year
    - **(b)** To **Note** the local government pay award
    - (c) To **Note** the finance training update
    - (d) To **Note** the parish council credit card application and new bank account applications are ongoing
    - (e) To **Note** the bank reconciliations and management account reports for July 2025
    - **(f)** To **Note** budget observations verbal update
  - **(2) To Resolve** the payments listed below:

Payee Name Account Debited	Invoice Number	Amount
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Staff & payroll costs	Current Account	July salaries & HMRC	4517.52
Horam Club Rooms	Current Account	Inv 159 – rental for	500.00
		July	
Clerk – Zoom payment	Current Account	Inv 314873505	15.59
		25.7.2025-24.8.2025	
Admin Assistant	Current Account	Colour posters S&P	12.60
		Printing Horam Fun	
		Day stand	
Cllr Billings	Current Account	New PC Display boards	127.97
		Display Boards Direct	
Horam Village Hall	Current Account	Inv 1204 Monthly	35.91
		Waste collection	
		service dated 1.8.2025	
Wilhar Publications	Current Account	Inv 7957 – 1 additional	75.00
Ltd		parish page	
Image Matters	Current Account	Inv 2868 Foam board	36.00
		for display header	
NALC	Current Account	Inv 10320888329	39.22
		Cllr training –	
		Navigating Rural	
		Communities	
Clerk – 20i	Current Account	Inv 8272117 Cloud	11.99
		micro server –	
		monthly payment	
Clerk- 20i	Current Account	Inv 8291992- storage	1.80
		upgrade	
Clerk	Current Account	Replacement key for	3.95
		village hall bin	
Clerk	Current Account	Plastic ruler	1.27
Clerk	Current Account	2 black ink cartridges	41.94
Uniserve	Current Account	Inv 37555 Spare	88.80
		laptop testing	
Uniserve	Current Account	Inv 37492 – monthly	83.04
		charges 9.8.2025-	
		8.9.2025	
Uniserve	Current Account	Inv 37253 monthly	83.04
		charges 9.7.2025 –	
		8.8.2025	
Nest	Current Account	Pension August	316.37
James Todd & Co	Current Account	Inv 83158 July payroll	36.60
The Finishing Touch	Current Account	July rubbish clearance	120.70
The Finishing Touch	Current Account	Memorial Garden	200.00
		maintenance work	
Malcolm Curtis	Current Account	Inv 17 – cut grass	120.00
		playgrounds	

Malcolm Curtis	Current Account	Inv 15 – to cut parish	390.00
		verges and move	
		fingerpost	
Europlants –	Community Account	Inv 333000 Plant maintenance August 25	103.80
Malcolm Curtis	Community Account	Inv 16 – cut and tidy memorial garden	30.00

- 13. TO AGREE A LIST OF THREE COUNCILLORS FOR PLAY PARK / SKATE PARK RUBBISH CLEARANCE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTRACTOR
- 14. RETROSPECTIVE APPROVAL OF HPC LETTER SENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE VILLAGE HALL TRUSTEES
  - 14.1. To consider any further action
- 15. HORAM PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS FUN NIGHT FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER
  - 15.1. To note the Christmas Fun Night update report
  - 15.2. To resolve the Christmas Tree quotation
  - 15.3. To resolve the quotations for the installation and removal of the tree
- 16. TO RESOLVE UP TO TWO COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE WDC TOWN AND PARISH CONFERENCE 2025 ON TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER
- 17. HIGH STREET BENCH UPDATE
- 18. MEMORIAL PLAQUES UPDATE
- 19. YOUTH CLUB UPDATE
- 20. TO DISCUSS ITEMS THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL COULD PUBLICISE
- 21. REVIEW OF THE PARISH COUNCIL STAND AT THE HORAM FUN DAY
- 22. EMERGENCY PLAN UPDATE
- 23. SKATE JAM UPDATE
- 24. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE 24.1. To review the progress of the Business Plan
- 25. INFORMATION FOR/FROM COUNCILLORS (for noting or inclusion on future agendas).
- 26. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
  PLANNING & HIGHWAYS on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 7.30pm
  PLANNING & HIGHWAYS on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 6.45pm
  FULL COUNCIL on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.30pm
- 27. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC BY RESOLUTION

To consider whether to exclude the Press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

- 28. DONATION OF LAND UPDATE
- 29. LANDSCAPE SENSITIVITY REPORT UPDATE
- 30. TO CONSIDER LEGAL ADVICE
- 31. TO NOTE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SUBMITTED TO WDC

To: All Members of the Parish Council: Councillors: A. Billings, Jennifer Howells, Graham Knight, Sue Lane, Virginia Roberts, Ann Sadler, Jane Trott, Jonathan Webb, Gary Brockhurst and Andrew Lee

**Copy to:** Councillors Greg Collins, District Council Ward Member for Horam and Punnetts Town and Councillor Bob Bowdler, East Sussex County Councillor & Police Community Support