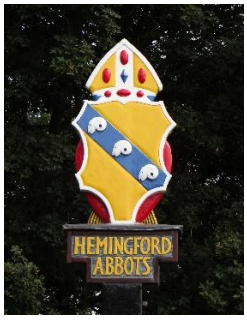
HEMINGFORD ABBOTS PARISH COUNCIL

Notice of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council



Time: 7 pm Date: Monday 26th October 2026.

Venue: Hemingford Abbots Village Hall, High St, Hemingford Abbots, PE28 9AH.

To All Members of the Council

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purposes of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below. Any member not able to attend should send their apologies in before the meeting.

Members: 6 Vacancy: 1 Quorum: 3

The meeting is open to members of the public (including the press), but it is not a public meeting.

Maxine Blewett Mrs Maxine Blewett – Parish Clerk 21st October 2026.

2026-2027	Agenda
83	**Public Participation** Open Forum to provide an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions for future agendas or on Items that are on the current agenda. -To allow any members of the public and Councillors declaring an interest to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at that meeting. -At the close of this item, members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman.
84	**Apologies for Absence**
85	**Councillors' Declarations of Interest** • To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda • For declarations of interest received, Councillors to inform the Chairman if they wish to speak on the matter during public participation and/or at the agenda item prior to discussion. • To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any) • To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
86	**Minutes of the previous meeting** To agree and approve the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 28th September 2026 (Appendix 1).
87	**Reports from District and County Councillors**
88	**Update on Meetings attended**
89	**Update on projects from HAPC's Tree Officer Tom Mosher and Cllr Eddie Halls**
90	**Planning**
	New Property
a)	**26/01900/HHFUL** Kings Orchard High Street Hemingford Abbots. Proposal: Erection of detached double garage, new entrance gates and a widened vehicular entrance with alterations to the existing boundary wall ***HAPC to respond to HDC by 11/11/26.***
	New Trees
b)	**26/01853/TRCA** The Orchard High Street Hemingford Abbots Huntingdon PE28 9AH. Proposal: Sycamore tree - Fell on advice from landscape consultant. ***HAPC has not been asked to comment.***
	Approved
c)	**26/01639/5DAY** The Hermitage Rideaway Hemingford Abbots Huntingdon PE28 9AG. Proposal: Dead Oak pole near driveway - dismantle pole. Dead Cherry in centre bed (growing through Lawsons Cypress) - dismantle and clear. Three dead Elms in frontage of woodland - fell. Dead Pollarded Poplar – fell.
d)	**26/01512/5DAY** Land Rear of Royal Oak Corner Royal Oak Lane Hemingford Abbots. Proposal: Removal of T1 (White Beam) and T2 (Silver Birch) dead / fallen trees.
91	**HAPC's response to HDC's Consultation on the proposed Local Plan** Proposal that HAPC comments on the Huntingdonshire's Pre-Submission Local Plan before it is submitted to government for independent examination. Public engagement ends on Wednesday 28 October 2026. (Appendix 2 – HAPC Response to the proposed Local Plan).

92	**<u>Village Matters and Repairs</u>**
a)	**Proposal** to identify trees in the Parish with a Tree Preservation Order.
b)	**To report:** Dave Cook has confirmed that he will install a new wooden Kissing Gate at the start of Footpath 4 in November.
c)	**To report:** On Saturday 24th October Sid Barnett plans to cut the Playing Field hedge (subject to good weather).
d)	**Proposal to consider** 2 quotes for the restoration and paint work to both the Village Signs. (Appendix 3).
e)	**To report:** The Clerk requested quotes for re-painting the posts of the village street-lights, however it was suggested by the two companies that work would be better carried out in the Spring.
f)	**Proposal to consider** an offer of (potentially) free play equipment from Finding Fitness Ltd., (grant may be available). *Clerk to show the information from FF at the meeting.*
g)	**Update** on the joint COVID Remembrance event (Hemingford Grey and Abbots). **Cllr RH**
93	**<u>Speedwatch</u>**
a)	To report: All locations have been approved by the Police. A date will be organised for the first Group Speedwatch on the return of the Speedwatch Co-ordinator.
94	**<u>Finance</u>**
a)	**To accept the payment of invoices** for October (salaries and standing orders for payment as listed at the end of the agenda). (Appendix 4).
b)	**To approve the Bank Reconciliations for September 2026. (**Appendix 5).
c)	**To review and approve the Budget Report for Quarter 2. (**Appendix 6).
d)	**To report**: HDC deposited the second tranche of HAPC's precept (£18,428.00) into the current account on the 30/9/2026. On the same day an internal transfer of £15,000.00 was made from the Current account to the Savings Account.
e)	**To report:** A VAT reclaim for £295.32 for the period August 1st to September 30th 2026 credited to the current account on the 12/10/2026.
f)	**Proposal** that two Councillors and the Clerk, prepare a draft budget for 2027/28 and this is presented at the November Parish Council meeting.
g)	**Proposal** to consider a request for a donation to MAGPAS.
95	**Matters arising (for discussion at the next PC meeting)**
96	**Closure of the Meeting**
97	**Date of the next Meetings:** Monday 23rd November 2026 at 7 pm in the Village Hall, High Street, Hemingford Abbots PE28 9AH.

Finance (94a)

October Payments

BACS	[redacted]							
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BACS	4220 Bradgate Ground Maintenance Ltd.	Grass cutting 10/9 and Strimming	£	140.00	£	28.00	£	168.00
BACS	4315 AskIT	Email Support for Cllr RC	£	10.00	£	2.00	£	12.00
			£	723.14	£	30.00	£	753.04
DDM	4250 VALDA Energy Direct Debit Mandate	Energy supply for September	£	146.55	£	7.33	£	153.88
			£	869.69	£	37.33	£	906.92