

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS PLAYING FIELD

Minutes
of the
Administrative Trustees meeting

Monday 27th of July 2026
at Hemingford Abbots Village Hall, opening immediately following the Parish Council Meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence**
   Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Eddie Halls.

2. **Declarations of Interest**
   None.

3. **Open Forum**
   Cllr LP suggested that we consider having two or three pieces of adult activity equipment on the Playing Field. It was agreed to discuss this at the October meeting, when we will know more about the tree planting project.

4. **Resolved t**o approve the Minutes of the HAPF meeting held on the 27th April 2026. Proposed by Cllr MW, seconded by Cllr RC, all in favour.

5. **Matters Arising / issues to report**

5.1 Check if the pedestrian gate latch has been repaired. Following the HAPF meeting a check was carried out and the latch has been repaired.

5.2 Two mature trees appear to be dying on the playing field. Since the meeting the Clerk and Cllrs RH, MW and LP visited the playing field. It was agreed that we seek a professional assessment and if the trees were found to be a danger to users of the playing field the Clerk is to arrange for them to be cut down. Since the professional assessment the trees have been felled as they posed a threat to health and safety. HDC have been informed.

5.3 Noted: HAVH asked if the playing field could be used by a truck providing food at an upcoming wedding. Cllr MW and the Clerk agreed to this request, with the condition that the large gate remains locked after the food truck has entered and left the field, and that a risk assessment is carried out.

6. <u>Playing Field Inspections</u>

6.1 Noted: Ken Martin has provided regular playground inspections since the last meeting and our thanks go to Ken for his help.

7. Closure of the Meeting – 9 pm.

8. Date of Next Meeting – Monday 26th October 2026.