

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HASTINGLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL  
ON 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 HELD IN EVINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present:

Cllr Day (Chair)  
Cllr Helmer

Cllr Dryland  
Cllr Jakeman

Cllr Betty and the Clerk.

		To be actioned by
<b>1.</b>	<b>To receive and approve apologies for absence.</b>	
	Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Hill due to work commitments. These apologies were approved.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>To receive declarations of interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.</b>	
	Cllr Helmer declared a personal interest in the Clerk's remuneration.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>	
	The minutes were signed as a true record.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>To discuss matters arising from the above minutes not covered by the agenda.</b>	
	Cllr Day will treat the benches with Danish Oil in the dry weather. Cllr Dryland has repaired the Coronation bench. Cllr Jakeman will ask his contact to put new legs on the footpath map board.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>To receive reports from the Borough Councillor</b>	
	Cllr Betty had circulated his report and explained the Nutrient Neutrality update. Ashford Borough Council and Canterbury City Council are setting up a company to sell nutrient credits. There was a discussion about water treatment plants. There is to be free car parking in the lead up to Christmas in Ashford Town Centre.	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Public Session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item</b>	
	There were no members of public in attendance.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Financial matters:</b>	
	<b>To approve the following financial documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>To note the Parish Council's financial position, Chair to initial bank statement.</b> The financial position of the Parish Council was noted.</li> <li>ii. <b>To authorise any payments</b> The payments were authorised in line with the payment schedule.</li> <li>iii. <b>To approve the budget for 2025/26</b> The budget was circulated prior to the meeting. This was approved.</li> <li>iv. <b>To agree the precept for 2025/26</b> The precept for 2025/26 was approved.</li> </ul>	
<b>8.</b>	<b>To receive an update following the Parish Forum.</b>	
	Cllr Day reported that she had attended the Parish Forum and had talked about Health, Water, Biodiversity, Transport, Renewable energy and building/planning. This was an interesting event.	
<b>9.</b>	<b>To agree the website/email change following the directive for gov.uk addresses.</b>	

	The Councillors agreed to change the website and Clerks email address to gov.uk address.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment.</b>	
	The Parish Council considered the Risk Assessment and there were no changes to be made.	
<b>11.</b>	<b>Planning matters: to authorise a response to any application(s) and to note any recent planning decisions by Ashford Borough Council or any correspondence on planning matters</b>	
	There were no planning applications to note.  Cllr Betty was asked to find out the situation with Stone Cottage following the groundworks.	
<b>12.</b>	<b>Any Other Business (for information purposes only):</b>	
	There is to be a JAM meeting organised in the new year.	
<b>13.</b>	<b>Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council.</b>	
	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2025

Signed: .....

Date: .....