

HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT HANKELow METHODIST CHAPEL, HANKELow ON 6 JULY 2026

Present: Cllr Chris Cope (Chair), Cllr Gin Foster, Cllr Tom Muxlow, Cllr Andy Bellinger

26/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr Ian Jones, Cllr Rachel Bailey (Ward Councillor) and Abbi Miller (Parish Clerk)

26/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

Councillors G Foster, I Jones and I Parker have each declared an interest in the White Lion Community Pub Ltd on the basis that they are shareholders in the company. However, a dispensation for each has been signed and approved by the Proper Officer whereby members of the Parish Council who have an interest in the White Lion Pub Ltd are allowed to be partake in discussions and decisions on this subject.

There were no other declarations of interest.

26/23 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

UNRESOLVED: The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 5th May 2026, the Extraordinary meeting of the 16th June 2026 and the Extraordinary Planning meeting of the 29th June 2026 were not approved and will be approved at the next meeting.

26/24 QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF PUBLIC REGARDING ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order Section 52, members of the public were permitted to raise any questions or make a statement.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

26/25 MATTERS ARISING

All matters arising had been resolved.

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26/26 FINANCIAL MATTERS

26/26.01 AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

RESOLVED: The following payments were approved.

Cheque 689	Pavement Clearing Tools	£106.90
Cheque 690	A Miller (Clerk Salary)	£345.72
Cheque 691	HMRC (Clerk Contributions)	£86.40
Cheque 692	Hiscox Insurance	£433.40
Cheque 693	Hirst Signs Ltd	£281.28

26/27 PLANNING MATTERS

There were no new Planning Applications.

Planning applications with decisions made since the last meeting held on 6th May 2026.

26/1399/TPO	MANOR FIELD Hall Lane, Hankelow	Works to TPO Trees	Consent for works in TPO with conditions. Note: Work should commence on the tree that was damaged by another falling tree at Manor Fields as it is deemed to be dangerous and could also fall down.
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Councillors discussed the previously suggested meeting with the company that circulated flyers in the parish outlining a two-part development proposal. It was agreed that the Parish Council should meet with the representatives of the company to understand the proposals in more detail before any full planning application is submitted.

26/28 UPDATE ON COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY PROJECTS

The Council considered quotations from three suppliers for new Speed Indication Devices:

- Elan City – £2,500 + VAT per unit; £89 delivery
- Message Maker – £3,736 + VAT per unit; £247 per annum warranty
- Westcotec – £4,395 + VAT per unit; 3-year warranty included

Following discussion, Cllr Muxlow and Cllr Foster proposed the purchase of two Elan City devices, with Cllr Cope seconding the proposal. All Councillors were in agreement, and the planned purchase was **APPROVED**.

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26/29 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY THE VILLAGE GREEN SUB-COMMITTEE

The annual Transport Festival will take place in July 2026 on the green with breakfast food being made available to purchase.

A MacMillan Charity coffee / tea / cakes event is being planned for September.

26/30 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHESHIRE EAST WARD COUNCILLOR

Cllr Rachel Bailey was not in attendance, but provided the following update:

- The rollout of the Green Food Caddies has started. Hankelow will be rolled out in the third phase of the project.
- Work has started on the Cheshire East Local Plan.
- Weaver Bridge repair is now ready to be implemented and worked on.

26/31 MEMBERS REPORTS TO RAISE TO COUNCIL

- Councillors were reminded that all Members must complete their personal information forms; no forms were available at the meeting and will be provided at the next meeting.
ACTION: Parish Clerk
- It was noted that councillor personal information is no longer required to be published on the Parish Council website.
- Due to limited councillor availability, no Parish Council meetings will be held during August 2026.

26/32 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next Parish Council Meeting is Monday 7th September 2026.
Hankelow Chapel, 11 Old School Lane, Hankelow, CW3 0JN

The meeting closed at 20:35 pm

.....Chair