HOPTON-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minute of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 July 2026 commencing at 7.30pm at Hopton Village Hall, Station Road, Hopton-on-Sea NR31 9BE.

Present: Parish Cllrs: Jan Windsor-Luck (Chairman), Kevin Lee, John Tonks, John Plaskett, Steve Ames, James Hubbard, Keith Bradley and Yvonne Bradley. Also present: Anita Edelinski, Officer of the Council and 6 members of the public.
The Chairman pointed out housekeeping matters.

1. To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr. Sue Hacon

2. To receive declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda and consider any requests for dispensation. There were none

3. Public Forum.

Fly tipping on Longfulan lane. It will be reported to the GYBC.
The overhanging tree into the resident's garden has been brought to attention. The gardener will attend the problem.
Two rose bushes in the memorial garden in the Ruins have died. One cannot be identified. The other one belongs to Mr Kevin Mingay. Relatives did not want the rose bush to be tended by the gardener. The rose bush will be removed as it is now withered.
The vandalism is a continued worry, a report of further damage to the inside of the church has been received.

4. To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 08 June 2026.

It was proposed by Cllr. John Tonks and seconded by Cllr. Kevin Lee to approve the Minute. Unanimously agreed.

5. To receive County and Borough Councillors' Report

No reports.

6. To discuss Hopton roundabout

It was reported that there were hidden cameras at the roundabout, but it was not clarified as to who installed them. It is a high traffic area and speed is the concern. The Highway department will be notified regarding concerns about the cycle path and lack of barriers where it joins the A47. A suggestion to campaign to lower the speed limit and to have the road markings refreshed to increase the visibility. Consideration was given to turning Warren Lane into a cycle path. The County Council will be asked to provide a definitive map.

7. To consider the Clerk's reports.

a) Correspondence.

b) Planning applications.

06/26/0438/HH 33 Warren Road. Demolition of conservatory and garage; erection of single-storey rear extension, with adjoining garage and carport; erection of port; roof extension to convert rearmost hipped roof to gable roof. No objections.
REF:OWPC33596

c) Finance. To agree the July 2026 invoices for payment and bank reconciliation statement as of 30 June 2026.

There were 7 online payments and 1 direct debit from the business current account totalling £2,594.63. It was proposed by Cllr. John Tonks and seconded by Cllr. John Plaskett to approve the list of payments and bank reconciliation statement. Unanimously agreed**.**

8. Church donations application representation

After careful consideration it was proposed by Cllr. Kevin Lee and seconded by Cllr. John Plaskett to approve the £100 donation to the church. Unanimously agreed.

9. To receive information and consider matters relating to the Millennium Garden/Ruin.

a) Obtaining electricity for the Ruins update
It was proposed by Cllr. Jan Windsor Luck and seconded by Cllr. John Plaskett to make the payment to UK Power Network to secure the price for the work to be done. We have received written confirmation that the refund will be provided if the work do not start within agreed time. Unanimously agreed.
It was discussed to write the letter to the planning demanding the answer, as the Ombudsman will be involved. It was suggested to contact Mr John Weadon as well.

10. To receive information and consider matters relating to the Recreation Ground/Pavilion.

a) Defib monthly maintenance update

Cllr. John Tonks continues to tend to the Defib. Clerk has received visual confirmation of the inspection.

b) To discuss the Paddle Tennis court represented by Cllr John Plaskett.

It was decided that, due to not enough interest, we are forced to drop the project. Main concern was noise that the paddle court would create. Suggested alternative was fitness trail. It was proposed as well to contact GYBC and ask for the advice and inquire about more options.

11. To receive and consider updates from previous Minutes.

a) Working Party- safety speeding in the village updates

The training for the volunteers will take place on 23rd July 2026. Designated areas have been agreed. After the training, safety speeding will commence.

12. To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of Hopton-on-Sea Parish Council. Monday 10 August 2026, 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at approximately 20:40

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Signed Dated

If the Council need to exclude the public at any time, the council will have to vote to do this by passing the following resolution: Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and the press leave the meeting during consideration of (…state item of business …)

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