

Minutes of Great Haseley Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 11 August 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs H Blythe, D Lindsay, R Sheehan (Chairman), T Suter, P Woodrow, A Oughton (Clerk) and no members of the public.

25/50 Public Discussion / Public Questions

There was no public discussion or questions raised.

25/51 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Brown and Groves.

25/52 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Cllr Blythe declared an interest in planning amendment related to 14 Mill Lane, Great Haseley as the owner and applicant and did not take part in discussion or vote on the item.

25/53 Planning

P25/S1934/HH – Manana, Latchford Lane, Great Haseley, Oxfordshire, OX44 7LA

First floor addition, small two storey rear extension, open porch & replacement outbuilding.

Resolved to Object to the application on the following grounds:

- Scale and bulk
- Out of keeping with the character of the area
- Excessive ridge height
- Impact on drainage and sewerage system

P25/S2039/LB - Manor Farm, North Weston, OX9 2HG

The Grade II listed old brewhouse to the rear of the main house has collapsed. This application proposes to methodically dismantle, record and safely and securely store the building onsite until funds are available to rebuild the building.

Resolved to Support the application

P25/S1054/FUL - Highway House Barn, Rectory Road, Great Haseley, OX44 7JG

Amendment No. 1 - Conversion and renovation of highway house, barn to provide residential accommodation as a two-bedroom three-person dwelling. (As amended by revised drawings received 4 June 2025.)

Resolved to Object to the amended application

P25/S0267/HH – 14 Mill Lane, Great Haseley, OX44 7JU

Amendment No. 2 - Creation of a Driveway Entrance, section of the existing wall will be re-opened to allow for the installation of a 3-metre-wide, 5-bar gate to provide access to the driveway. Retaining Wall: A stone-clad retaining wall will be constructed inside the property to support the driveway Verge Modifications: The verge will be opened up and tapered with a gentle sweep on both sides into the driveway. Steps Installation: Steps will be installed in the northwest corner of the driveway to provide access to the house. (Amended plans received 28 July 2025).

Resolved to Support the amended application.

The following application was noted:

P25/S2085/N4B - Abbey Farm, North Weston

Change of use of agricultural barn to two dwellinghouses (Use Class C3) and associated operational development.

It was further noted that the District Planning Authority has granted permission for the following application:

P25/S1507/LB - Clematis Cottage, 17 Rectory Road, Great Haseley

To replace the weathered thatched ridge with a flush formed ridge to be in keeping with the attached property.

25/54 Financial Report

Bank statements to 31 July 2025 were circulated. The balance on the Current Account £27,029.54 and Business Reserve Account £44,946.45. Income for the month included allotment rent and interest. Expenditure as previously approved.

The Clerk reported that Castle Water has over estimated water usage at the allotments resulting in £194.59 being debited from the current account. Cllr Woodrow has taken a meter reading and the Clerk has raised a query with Castle Water.

25/55 Payments

The following payments were approved: £79.56 Shield Maintenance Ltd, £500.00 A & W Grounds Maintenance, £1,320.00 Philippa Jarvis Planning Consultancy Ltd, £258 Richard Taylor Landscapes.

Castle Water Direct Debit £194.59

25/56 Information Exchange

Correspondence had been received regarding a planning application in Towersey (P25/S1828/FUL) currently under consideration by the District Planning Authority and the wider implications for Neighbourhood Planning should the application be approved. It was agreed that Cllr Sheehan will respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

Correspondence had been received from RoSPA, ahead of issuing the annual play equipment inspection report stating that swings on the recreation ground posed a high risk of failure due to corrosion. It was agreed to remove the swings immediately. Discussion on next steps will take place at the meeting in September.

Agenda items for next meeting: Play Equipment, Neighbourhood Plan, Public Art

25/57 Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on 9 September 2025 in the Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. Cllr Woodrow gave his apologies.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm

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Chairman
9 September 2025