

# HILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING OF HILTON PARISH COUNCIL held at Church Room, St. Mary's and St. Luke's Church, Church Road, Shareshill on Thursday 30th October 2025 at 7pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr. P Dawes (Chairman), Cllr. Nigel Craddock (Vice- chairman), Cllr. Ann Rushton.

Other: Chris Gracey (Clerk), District Cllrs. R Cope and John Brindle,

## COUNCIL MEETING

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - none

### 1.0 **APOLOGIES**

1.1 Cllrs. Tim Davies, Jacque Turner and Thomas Baker submitted apologies for this evening's meeting.

### 2.0 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

2.1 The minutes from the last meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025 were proposed as an accurate records proposed by Cllr. Nigel Craddock (Vice-chairman) seconded by the Chairman and carried.

### 3.0 **MATTERS ARISING**

3.1 None

### 4.0 **CORRESPONDENCE**

4.1 None

### 5.0 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

5.1 None

### 6.0 **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

6.1 Cllr. Bob Cope reported on the following:

Planning application for Hilton Lane no decision made to date.

The site of Majestic Coaches Hilton Lane was discussed and a large HGV is being parked on the edge of the footpath, the clerk will report both issues to SSC Enforcement.

Hollybush Garden Centre is closing its waste business and considering warehouses on the site.

6.2 Cllr. John Brindle reported on the following:

Devolution – decision have been reached and a draft policy will be submitted on 28<sup>th</sup> November.

Boundary changes – most of the parishes were satisfied with their area except Penkridge and Cheslyn Hay, the latter wanted to take areas from Hilton and Saredon Parish, this was refused.

Scrutiny meeting – Customer Services – calls are answered within 37 seconds.

Welfare + benefits – alterations to properties, lodges and houseboats to enable the disabled to remain in their homes – grants available.

Licensing for taxis all being issued by Wolverhampton Council, drivers should be able to speak fluent English and capable of writing a receipt for the journey cost, should it be required.

7.0 **MAINTENANCE MATTERS**

7.1 The grass cutting is complete for this year, annual invoice is submitted.

8.0 **PLANNING**

8.1 None

9.0 **FINANCE**

9.1 Payments to approve as follows:

HMRC (Clerk's PAYE October )	£ 51.20	Approved
C E Gracey (Clerk's salary October)	£ 204.82	Approved
Shareshill Church Room (Hall hire 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2025)	£ 30.00	Approved
Bank charges(Community account fee September)	£ 4.25	Approved
SCC Website 2024-25	£ 132.95	Approved
Defib mount-post (ordered by CEG)	£ 384.00	Approved
Cllr. Pam Dawes(Chairman) donation to Dementia UK	£100.00	Approved
T. Davies (Ground maintenance in the parish for 2025 + materials)	£742.57	Approved
Total	<u>£1516.84</u>	

Proposed by Cllr. Pam Dawes (Chairman) seconded by Cllr.Nigel Craddock(Vice-chairman) and carried.

9.2 Financial statement – Receipts & Payments 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – proposed by Cllr. Nigel Craddock (Vice-chairman) and seconded by Cllr. Ann Rushton and carried.

9.3 The bank account balance at the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025 was £13523.66

9.4 It was agreed to purchase an AED and cabinet, the clerk will forward the details to the Chairman

9.5 It was agreed to purchase the Christmas lights the Chairman will send the clerk the details to order.

9.6 It was proposed by the Chairman to get a new Internal Auditor for 2025-26 year end seconded by Cllr. Nigel Craddock (Vice-chairman) and carried, the clerk will arrange and send out the details.

10.0 **SECTION 106 MONIES**

10.1 The application form has been submitted and confirmed by SSC, the agreement was signed and Witnessed and will be submitted by post.

11.0 **DEVOLUTION – Re-organisation of Local Councils**

11.1 Members discussed the re-organisation under District Councillors report.

12.0 **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - at the next meeting.**

12.1 None.

13.0 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at the Church Room, St. Mary's and St. Luke's Church, Church Road, Shareshill at 7pm

14.0 The meeting closed at 9pm

**SIGNED.....DATE.....**