



**HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held.**  
**At 7.00pm on Thursday 3 September 2026.**

**Present:**

Chairman Anthony Barry, Councilors Cllr Veronica Hattersley, Conrad Gauntlett and Mick Lyons, Mark Wilson and Sam Newnham  
R Elliss (Clerk)

There were no questions, as matters of concern covered by Agenda.

**15 Minute Public Forum**

**24/26/27 APOLOGIES**

**25/26/27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members confirmed existing declarations of interest as recorded.

**26/26/27 MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2 July 2026

**RESOLVED:** Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2 July 2026 be taken as read, approved, and signed as a true record of the meeting.

**27/26/27 FINANCE**

To approve the Payments and Receipts lists as presented for June and July Paper B and July Paper C -2026

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the Payments and Receipts for June and July 2026 be approved.

Members received and considered the Quarter 1 Budget against expenditure Report for the period ending 31 July 2026.

The Clerk reported that expenditure incurred during Quarter 1 had been reviewed against the approved budget for the 2026/27 financial year. Members noted that expenditure to date was broadly in line with budget expectations and reflected normal operational activity during the first quarter of the financial year.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Quarter 1 Budget Monitoring Report to 31 July 2026 be received and noted.

**ACTION:**

Clerk to continue monitoring expenditure and report any significant budget variances to future meetings.

**28/26/27**

**ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR AND EXTERNAL BODIES REPORT**

The Chair gave an update on recent Isle of Wight Council matters and highlighted issues relevant to the parish.

**Police**

The Clerk and Chair advised members that they are due to meet with the new PC Emery to discuss local village matters, including vandalism, abandoned vehicles, and other community concerns. The Chair invited members to submit any issues or topics they would like raised during this meeting. It was also noted that arrangements would be made for regular meetings with PC Emery, including a Beat Surgery for residents of Havenstreet and Ashey.

**Environment Officer**

No report received

**29/26/27**

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

To receive the reports from Councilors and Representatives and outside bodies:

**Havenstreet Community Association**

Cllr Hattersley advised members that First Aid Training for Association members has been arranged for October. Cllr Hattersley also requested Defibrillator Training for Parish Councillors to be held later this year or early next year at the Community Association Centre.

**Resolved:**

The Clerk will make the necessary arrangements and liaise with members regarding suitable dates.

**IWALC**

Cllr M Lyons, provided an update on Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils (IWALC).

**LAF**

Cllr M. Lyons advised that there had been no meeting since the last report and therefore no update was available.

**30/26/27**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT****Bus Survey Update**

The Chair provided an update on the current position regarding the Bus Survey and reported that there had been no significant changes since the previous

meeting. Members were advised that the new timetable and route details are due to be published by Southern Vectis shortly. The Chair confirmed that they would be happy to assist with promoting the service by circulating leaflets throughout the village and sharing information via local websites and social media channels.

The Chair encouraged all members to promote the service to residents and encourage its use, noting that the service is currently operating on a trial basis and that strong community support will be important in demonstrating demand and helping to secure its future.

### **Rewilding Area – Recreation Ground**

The Chair raised concerns regarding the rewilding area at the Recreation Ground and the need for ongoing care and maintenance. It was suggested that a Councillor may wish to volunteer to oversee the area and develop a management plan for its future upkeep.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk bring a report to the October meeting setting out the agreed arrangements with the Isle of Wight Council and the current contractor regarding maintenance of the Recreation Ground grass, noting that the land is owned by the Isle of Wight Council. The report should also include any alternative maintenance options available, together with quotations from third-party contractors where appropriate. Council was advised that the land is not Parish Council-owned land and that any proposed changes or management arrangements may require permission from the land owners.

**31/26/27**

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk provided an update covering the following matters:

#### **(a) Havenstreet Recreation Ground - Football Goals**

The Clerk reported that the project to replace the football goals had been completed over the summer. The new goals have been installed and are now in regular use by the community.

Members noted that, in accordance with the Council's previous resolution, the contract was awarded within the agreed budget using the Clerk's delegated authority to ensure the project could progress during the August recess.

The Council welcomed the successful completion of the project and noted that a press release had been issued to publicise the installation of the new goals and their availability for community use.

#### **(b) Havenstreet Recreation Ground – Fence hole in hedge**

The Clerk reported that the replacement fence had now been successfully installed and the boundary fully reinstated in accordance with the Council's previous resolution.

Members noted that, following the original fence being vandalised and knocked down, a metal fence post had subsequently been stolen. The theft was reported by the Clerk to the relevant authorities.

The Council also noted that new signage had been installed alongside the replacement fence, advising that unauthorised access is prohibited. The works have now been completed.

## **(c) Website Update**

The Clerk provided an update on the Council's website, including recent content updates and ongoing maintenance requirements. Members discussed the importance of ensuring that statutory information remains current and easily accessible to residents. It was noted that the website continues to meet the Council's transparency requirements. The update was noted.

## **(d) Insurance Renewal (Paper E)**

Members noted that details of the Council's annual insurance renewal had been circulated to all Councillors on 3 August 2026. Members were requested to notify the Clerk of any objections by 20 August 2026. No objections were received by the stated deadline, and the Clerk therefore proceeded with the renewal of the policy on behalf of the Council.

### **RESOLVED:**

That the Council's insurance policy be renewed as detailed in Paper E. Members having been consulted by email on 3 August 2026 and no objections having been received by 20 August 2026, the Clerk completed the renewal and made the necessary arrangements.

## **(e) Asset Register (Paper F)**

The Council considered Paper F, containing the updated Asset Register. Members reviewed the listed assets and noted the amendments made since the previous review. The Asset Register was found to accurately reflect the Council's current assets.

**Resolved:** To approve the Asset Register as presented in Paper F and adopt it for the current financial year.

**32/26/27**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that no new correspondence had been received since the previous meeting. Any relevant information and communications received had been circulated to councilors via email.

**33/26/27**

### **PLANNING**

To consider local applications:  
No Applications – No Comments Received.

**34/26/27**

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The time and date of the next meeting is 7.00pm on Thursday 1 October 2026, at the Havenstreet Community Centre. (Thursday 5 November 2026 - Budget Briefing)

**No December Meeting**

The meeting closed at 20:15pm

