

**Minutes of the meeting of Hilperton Parish Council, held at
Hilperton Village Hall on Tuesday 21st October 2025 at 7.45pm.**

1 member of the public was present.

Councillors present. Bayley, Clark, Hayes, House, Jamieson, Linham, Prevett, Robinson, Sawyer, and Uncles.

7.45pm Public Question Time.

There were no public questions.

It was agreed that the minutes of this meeting would be produced by the chairman.

AGENDA.

25/195. Apologies for absence. None.

25/196. Declarations of interest. None.

25/197. To receive and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 16th September 2025.

Proposed Cllr. Clark. Seconded Cllr. Prevett. Agreed unanimously.

25/198. Chairman's announcements.

Elizabeth Way was opened ten years ago today.

Also, today is Trafalgar Day; the battle happened 220 years ago.

25/199. Report from Wiltshire Councillor.

Elizabeth Way will be closed from 19.00 to 06.00 every evening this week.

25/200. Report from police.

A report is available at Trowbridge Rural Police.uk

25/201. Planning applications.

None.

25/202. Planning decisions.

PL/2025/06390 - 25 Queen's Gardens. Approved with conditions.

PL/2025/06651 - 114a Trowbridge Road. No objection.

PL/2025/06177 - 7 St. Michael's Close. Approved with conditions.

PL/2025/06359 - 1 Cedar Tree Close. Approved with conditions.

The above decisions were noted.

25/203. Maxcroft Farm planning application. PL/2023/10559.

The recent granting of outline planning permission was noted.

Cllr. Bayley gave a report on the Wiltshire Council Strategic Planning Committee meeting which he had attended, and spoke at, as the parish council representative.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that he would write to Wiltshire Council, on behalf of the parish council, expressing the council's dismay at several topics. Cllr. Bayley would send a draft of the letter to all parish councillors for comment before despatching it to Wiltshire Council.

25/204. HAAG/flood-warden scheme.

A report was received from Celia Beckett on recent meetings and the forthcoming Local Plan hearing timetable.

It was proposed that two payments be made.

One to the Environmental Law Foundation (ELF Law) for work relating to the Local Plan - £1500.00. Proposed Cllr. Clark. Seconded Cllr. Hayes. Carried unanimously.

Second to CPRE for expenses incurred by Gerald Kells re the Local Plan - £1500.00. Proposed Cllr. Uncles. Seconded Cllr. Hayes. Carried unanimously.

25/205. Rural Play Area Funding.

No discussion was possible due to the clerk's absence.

25/206. Parish Steward.

It was noted that any suggestions for work should be forwarded to the chairman.

25/207. Allotments/Community Orchard.

A report from Cllr. House was received which included an update on four holders giving notice, an ongoing problem with rats, and the orchard had been both cut and cleared.

25/208. Church Farm/War memorial.

It was noted that in an email dated 3rd October sent to PC members, Wiltshire Council stated that the wall along Church Street was not moving, and its condition was no worse than when last inspected. Ownership was currently being established .

25/209. 'Clerk's report.'

No report was available due to the clerk's absence.

25/210. Approval of invoices for payment.

The following items were approved for payment.

Idverde June invoice £121.60 including £20.27 VAT

Idverde September invoice £121.60 including £20.27 VAT

Clerk's salary (September) £499.63

HMRC £280.35

Cloudy IT (08803) £77.46 including £12.91 VAT

Cloudy IT (08124) £77.46 including £12.91 VAT

Water2Business £488.59

Scribe (11725) £39.60 including £6.60 VAT

The two payments agreed earlier in the meeting under minute 25/204.

The invoice from Core Clean (1060) £250 was not approved as a member raised the issue that not all the bus shelters were being cleaned.

Proposed Cllr. Clark. Seconded Cllr. Sawyer. Approved nem. con.

25/211. Website.

A report was received from Cllr. House. The website creator has been instructed with regard to a full overhaul of the site but there is no progress at present.

25/212. Meetings for councillors to consider attending.

Trowbridge Area Board – 13th November, 18.30 at County Hall.
Trowbridge LHFIG 26th February 2026.

25/213. Correspondence received.

Cloudy IT quotation – due November. As the clerk was not present, this quotation is to be sent to members via email.

25/214. Items for future meetings.

CIL money.

25/215. Items for notice board or publication.

None.

25/216. Date, time, and venue for the next parish council meeting.

Tuesday November 18th 2025, commencing 7.45pm at Hilperton Village Hall, Whaddon Lane.

Meeting closed at 8.28.

Signed

Dated 18th November 2025.