

WALPOLE HIGHWAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Time & Date of Meeting: 1930 Tuesday 13 January 2026

Location of Meeting: Walpole Highway Village Hall. **Subject:** Ordinary Meeting

Attendees: **Parish Councillors**—Andrew Melton (AM), Sheila Hillier (SMH),
Elizabeth Jackson (EJ), Gloria Joiner (GJ) Andrew Clifton (AC)
Helen Waters (HW) Richard Housden (RH)
County and Borough Councillor Jullian Kirk (JK)
Clerk – Gillian Barnes (GB)
Apologies – Simon Huggins

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01/26 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Simon Huggins

02/26 Declarations of Interest regarding agenda items. None

03/26 Minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2025 were unavailable due to computer issues.

04/26 Matters arising from the minutes. Deferred to next meeting

05/26 Planning

to consider planning applications received since the last meeting.

For information only (no comments) **25/02132/NT28 Hall Rd & Stockhill Square.** Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended) - Regulation 5 Notice. BT new poles 2 x 10M and 2 X 9M

to receive notice of decision - consent given

25/01304/F Retrospective: Installation of water storage tank and the formation of a pond. Tamar Nurseries Ltd West Drove South

25/01634/F Erection of a café, Tamar Nurseries Ltd West Drove South

06/26 Precept for year ending 31 March 2027. Agreed that the parish requirement for year ending 2026/2027 should be set at **£16145.00**. Agreed to precept **£16145.00**

07/26 Community Speed watch. The Community Speedwatch team has not met since the last meeting due to weather and short winter days. HW is designing a poster to be displayed in the Post Office to recruit more volunteers For Community Speedwatch. Initial contact is to be through Clerk and PC email and tel number to be displayed. JK said he is always willing to assist.

08/26 Accounts approved for payment as per schedule

Schedule of Payments Jan 2026

Supplier	Invoice details	Total £	Value £	VAT £	PAYE & NIC
WH Hall	Jan 2026	20.00	20.00	Nil	
Nurture	Inv 1 Mid 376556 December	196.48	163.73	32.75	
G. Barnes	Salary qtr 12/25	1470.30	1176.30		294.00

09/26 Parish Partnership Scheme 2025/26. The submission of a bid for £4700 for improvements to Public footpath FP7 has been accepted. Notification will be received in March 2026 if the bid is successful.

10/26 Tweedy Almshouses. The Charity Commission has agreed the amendment to the Charities Aims upon receipt of a resolution from the Trustees. The Charity Commission will then advise next steps.

11/26 Public Participation -meeting suspended 08.10 pm to allow public participation and comment

- The council had been copied into an email sent from a parishioner to JK regarding potential planning infringements at High House, Trinity Road. JK confirmed he had already forwarded this Planning enforcement. Agreed no further action required.
- A further email has been received from a parishioner regarding the deployment of the SAM Speed Camera and its lack of impact on speeding traffic particularly when traffic was diverted through the village during recent A47 closures. There are time constraints relating to the time a camera is positioned at an approved site and when it can be returned there. This is a condition imposed by NCC Highways for its continued use. Councillors agreed that the Camera is providing a useful source of accurate statistics which can result in further action. A recent article in the EDP newspaper cited the increase in speeding convictions (not major routes) in Norfolk villages. The Chairman continues to forward statistical information recorded To Terrington SNT.
- SMH reported potholes needing repair at Trinity Road and outside village hall.

Meeting reopened 8.30pm

12/26 Date of next meeting 3 March 2026