Hanwell Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 6th January 2026 at 7:30pm
at Hanwell Village Hall

Present: Councillors: John Spratt (Chairman), Arnold Bailey, Bev Oak, Catriona Reid, Kate Nash Clerk (minutes)

Other attendees: Residents

Apologies:

Declarations of interest: None

1427 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting of 25 November 2025
The minutes of the Parish Council meeting were agreed.

1428 Matters Arising
None

1429 Planning Committee and KHVR Update
A public consultation evening is being held this evening in relation to a proposed new residential development at Banbury west of Warwick Road.

1430 Finance 2026 Precept, Budget & Allocation
The PC discussed the 2026/27 draft budget. It was agreed that the precept would be set at £20,000.00. The yearly expenses for the village are around £15000.00. The PC agreed to make a £5000.00 provision for a new mower to replace the current one which needs to be replaced. The Clerk will also contact other contractors who have their own equipment to try and maintain a quote for Mowing.
The PC therefore agreed to set the precept at £20000.00 for 2026/27.

1431 Speedwatch
Robin Aitken has agreed to coordinate the Village Speedwatch initiative. Volunteers are required to complete an online test. Progress to be discussed at the next meeting

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1432 Street Lighting & Village Pavements, Roads
Chairman Spratt has been in touch with William Evans of OCC and will follow up on this

1433 Conservation Area Appraisal & Article Classification
We are awaiting the result of the Conservation Area appraisal.
After further investigation it was established that Article 4 Classification is not suitable for Hanwell

1434 Request to Lord De La Warr for Hanwell Land
Chairman Spratt has this in hand and is drafting a letter

1435 Clerk Update - Play Area, Allotment, Website,
There were a few non urgent maintenance requirements as a result of the Rospa inspection of the play area and sports field. The Clerk has asked Trevor Stewart for a quote. She will chase Trevor again as she has not received a reply
The Parish Council were looking into using a Wix website but these are unsuitable for use by Parish Councils. The PC needs a .Gov.uk domain and email address. The PC agreed that they should speak to the current website provider regarding this. The Clerk is waiting on further information and has spoken to other PC's in the area to find compare their Websites and will report back at the next meeting.
Acreemans are hoping to start the treework at the Play Area in February.
The PC has agreed a quote to clear the vacant allotments, in the sum of £600. The work is expected to start late January/ Early February, weather permitting
The Clerk has drafted the Lighting Consultation

1436 Planning Applications
All other applications received have been considered.

1437 AOB
The Clerk will ask Trevor Stewart for a quote to regenerate the Play Area
The PC would like to congratulate Carl Portman on his MBE award in the New Years honours list

1438 Post Received - Distributed as received

1439 Next Meeting Date Tuesday 3 March 2026

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