

A Meeting of Hildersham Parish Council

To be held on Tuesday 8th July 2025, **starting at 7.30pm** at Hildersham Village Hall

23. Apologies

24. Councillors to declare any interests in the items to be discussed during the meeting?
Has the Clerk granted any dispensations under section 33 (1) of the Localism Act and the basis is set out under section 33(2)?

25. Open Forum for Parishioners to make comments or raise items

26. Approval of the minutes from the last meeting on 13th May and 17th June 2025.

27. Feedback on actions from the last meetings

- a) Feedback on getting a new name since including the 'No Through Road' symbol on it for Blench Lane.
- b) Area of verge near water pump that needs cutting including a silver birch tree. Asked Peter Carter to quote the council.

28. Update on the Hildersham Crossroads

29. Items raised by councillors

- a) Local Highway Initiative Scheme Update
- b) Large branch on the village green from tree from Arabella Killander's property she may want to see the damage and she may want to inspect the tree for further damage. This branch came down on Thursday during the high winds. The owner of the trees on the village green could be Arabella Killander or the County Council
- c) The bridge that crosses the river from the allotments into the Arabella Killanders field is again very unsafe on the far side. The handrail at the bottom has completely collapsed.
- d) The stile, at the end of the track that turns right in front of Manor Farm Bungalow is now in a dangerous condition.
- e) The lack of verge cutting.
- f) Query to Sarah Sanderson about whether the river could be dredged to reduce the water height to ensure that the field ditches can drain into the river.

30. Planning application to be considered:

25/0224/HFUL & 25/02242/LBC- Manor Farm, High Street - Infilling of large barn existing door openings with glazed panels. Existing doors to remain and kept in full working order (Resubmission of 22/01329/HFUL & 22/01497/LBC).

31. Neighbourhood Plan (NP).

- a) Update on what happens next.

32. Correspondences

- a) Awaiting a new contract with new terms for the electricity supply for the street lights as the current one expires on 31st July 2025.

33. Items raised by Internal Auditor

- a) Membership of the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) has been renewed at a cost of £52.
- b) Investigating the council obtaining a gov.uk email addresses.
- c) Members' interests documents should all be on SCDC website - ongoing
- d) Valuation of assets on Asset Register is currently by insurance value, not by acquisition value- to be discuss.

34. Finance

- a) The Council to approve and authorise the payments in the table and approved the financial statement dated 08.07.2025.

35. Open Forum for Parishioners to make comments or raise items

36. Items for the next meeting's agenda on 8th July 2025

Agenda for the Hildersham Land Management

This meeting follows the Parish Council meeting on 13th July 2024\.

1. Minutes of the meeting – Do the Trustees agree the notes for the last meeting are an accurate record of the last meeting?

2.Maintenance of the new plantation-

- a) Is any work required here? (Contactor concerned uneven surface, removal of dead trees and creating a more uniform planting- roller it)?

3. Allotment

- a) Inspection of allotment plots?

4. South Holding

- a) Update on - a pile of chalky dirt in the gap of the hedge (possibly form Flourish). Action: Mark to talk to the owner of Flourish.

5 Recreation Ground

- a) Playsafety inspection – actions update : fencing needs a tack, man hole cover (?), concrete cover, slats on bridge rotting, gaps in matting and odd bolts missing.

b) Suggestion that we contact the Environment Agency to ask if they can dredge the river to help lower the level of it to enable the RG ditches to clear. Contact Anglian Water project about the water level.

6. Finance

a) Update on balances:

Land current account - £3,286.77

Land interest account - £20,053.30