



Haddiscoe Parish Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting

Held at: Haddiscoe Village Hall
Monday 3 November 2025, 7.00pm

1. Present

Cllr Fulcher, Cllr Chidgey (Chair), Cllr Johnson, Cllr Riley, Cllr Kelsey, Cllr Aldren, Cllr Beevor
District Councillor Evans
Clerk: Mrs L Fulcher

Apologies:
County Councillor Stone

2. Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

Cllr Kelsey and Cllr Aldren declared an interest as members of the Stopit Committee.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 8 September 2025 were approved as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Cllr Chidgey, Seconded: Cllr Johnson, Resolved: Approved.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Church Lane: The Clerk has contacted South Norfolk District Council (SNDC) regarding ownership of the land. The Parish Council believes the area is owned by SNDC and held in trust by them. A response is still awaited. The Clerk will follow this up.

5. County and District Councillor Reports

The County Councillor's report had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

District Councillor Evans reported that a decision is due shortly from the Secretary of State regarding local government reorganisation.

6. Public Question Time

There were no members of the public present.

7. Planning Applications

The following planning matters were discussed:

- FUL/2024/0016 – Former Quarry, Wiggs Road, Haddiscoe
The application has been refused. Four main points formed the basis of the decision.

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- FUL/2022/0056 – Land off Crab Apple Lane, Haddiscoe, Norfolk, NR14 6SJ
No decision has yet been received. This was expected on 15 June.
- BA/2025/0283/CLEUD – The Bungalow, Long Acre Farm, Station Road, Haddiscoe
Application for a Lawful Development Certificate (CLEUD) for use as a dwellinghouse within Use Class C3.

The Council noted that a Lawful Development Certificate is a retrospective confirmation that an existing use is lawful and does not require a full planning application. Following detailed discussion, the Parish Council considered that insufficient information had been provided. Clarification was requested regarding the history of occupation, relevant time limits, the Broads Authority's position, and permitted development rights within the Broads Authority area. The Clerk will reply to the Broads Authority.

8. Essex & Suffolk Water – Water Resource Management Plan

Cllr Kelsey reported on an online briefing attended regarding the Essex & Suffolk Water 25-year Water Resource Management Plan. The plan addresses water supply for approximately 300,000 people in an area classified as seriously water-stressed.

Key points included forecast supply deficits and proposed mitigation measures, including a water recycling plant north of Lowestoft. Treated water would be piped from Lowestoft through Haddiscoe to Barsham, where it would enter the River Waveney.

9. Correspondence

A letter was received from a parishioner requesting that the village sign be cleaned. Cllr Johnson offered to undertake the cleaning of the village sign.

A further letter was received from a parishioner enquiring about the ownership of land off Thorpe Road, located behind the former local authority houses, where residents currently park. The Council noted that this land is not in Parish Council ownership.

10. Play Area Inspection

The inspection report was noted. No high-level maintenance was required. It was agreed to replace the existing rotten gate. Routine checks were in place.

11. Speeding in the Village

Recent use of a speed camera was noted. Ongoing speeding concerns were raised, particularly on Thorpe Road and Rectory Road.

The Council discussed possible speed calming measures, including: formation of a voluntary speed monitoring group, options such as speed bumps or reduced speed limits

The Clerk will contact Highways to explore traffic calming options for the identified areas.

Concerns were also raised regarding animals being killed and safety worries expressed by residents and parents with children. Residents will be reminded to drive considerately and responsibly through the village.

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12. Financial Matters

The financial statement for the period 1 September to 1 November 2025 was presented and agreed. Bank statements were present for Councillors to check.

- **Community Account balance:** £6,099.84 (including the second precept payment of £3,813.00 received from South Norfolk District Council)
- **Business Premium Account balance:** £2,090.57

Invoices Approved: - Tots Nursery tree removal £600, this was urgent work undertaken due to a tree falling down in the play area. Councillor Chidgey proposed that this invoice to Tots Nursery is paid, all Councillors were in agreement.

Quotes for Approval:

New gate at play area: £250, Tots Nursery – All Councillors in agreement to proceed with this.

Fencing on Church Lane: quote for £700 was queried due to concerns that measurements may be incorrect. The contractor will be asked to reassess and provide a revised quotation.

13. Items for Inclusion on the Next Agenda

None.

14. Dates of Meetings

The next meeting was confirmed as Monday 3 November 2025.

Meeting dates agreed for 2026: (Monday) 5 January, 2 March, 11 May, 29 June, 7 Sept, 2 Nov

Meeting closed: 8.23pm

Signed:
Chair
Date: