

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on
Wednesday 13th May 2026 at 6.30p.m.
at the
Hub, Huntingfield IP19 0QH

Attendees: Cllr Emma Ward, Cllr Edward Watson (Vice-Chair), Cllr Sarah Kline, Cllr John Folan, District Cllr Julia Ewart, County Cllr Annette Dunning, Carol Hume (Clerk & RFO) and 7 residents.

- 1. Welcome from the Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council.** Cllr Edward Watson welcomed all to the meeting. Cllr David Blackmore had resigned as Chairman and as a councillor on 16th April.
- 2. Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting** – To receive and approve the minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting on 14th May 2025. These were agreed and signed as accurate by the Vice-Chairman.
- 3. Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council.** The Vice-Chairman read out the Chairman's report (written by Cllr Blackmore before his resignation). Cllr Watson said the Parish Council urgently needs three new councillors and hoped residents would consider putting themselves forward.
- 4. County and District Councillors report** – The Annual Report from DC Julia Ewart had been circulated previously. County Councillor Annette Dunning introduced herself as the new County Councillor for the Halesworth ward following elections on 7th May. Her first full meeting as a member of the new Suffolk County Council will be on Thursday 21st May. She asked residents to get in touch with her with any issues they wish to raise and she stressed how important it is for villages to work together to achieve results. The new 20 mph initiative is a good example of possible village collaboration. With a new budget to use she will try and arrange for the improvements asked for by HPC on Barrells Hill to be completed. The clerk will send her the details of this request as detailed with CC Stephen Burroughes previously.
- 5. Local MP Report** - Circulated prior to the meeting and will be put on the website.
- 6. Local Society reports**
To receive reports from local groups:
The Hub Trustees – Report read out by Cllr Watson
The PCC – Report not read out but will be on the website
Millennium Green – Report read out by Cllr Watson
Huntingfield Town Estates Charity – Report read out by Cllr Watson
The Petanque Club – Report read out by Cllr Watson

All reports listed above are available on www.huntingfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

7. Open Forum

Several residents complained about the foul smell coming from the sewers again. This problem has been reported to Anglian Water several times and does improve when the deodoriser is restarted by an engineer but is really bad again. C Cllr Dunning said it could be a health hazard if left unresolved so it was agreed all the details will be sent to Anglian Water again.

Meeting Closed 7.15 pm

Minutes signed as correct.

Chairman_____Date_____

