HOUGH ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MAY 2025 AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the **Annual Meeting of Hough on the Hill Parish Council** will be held on **Thursday 8**th **May 2025** at Hough on the Hill Church community area, commencing at **7 pm**.

Donna Lang, Parish Clerk

2nd May 2025

AGENDA

- 1. To elect a Chair for the new council administrative year and for them to sign their Acceptance of Office as Chair.
- 2. To elect Vice Chair for the new council administrative year.

Chairman to close the meeting to enable:

15 Minute Public Participation

(Maximum 3 minutes per member of the public)

When members of the public may ask questions or make short statements to the Council.

Chair to re-open the council meeting.

- 3. To receive apologies and valid reasons for absence, these having been submitted to the Clerk prior to the meeting.
- 4. To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and receive Requests for Dispensations.
- 5. To approve the draft notes as the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 6th March 2025 and for the Chairman to sign them as the agreed minutes.
- 6. To receive reports from County and District Councillors (for information only).
- 7. To note the list of correspondence since the March meeting,

Planning and Tree Matters:

- 8. To note S25/0236 tree decision notice from SKDC S25/0236 Section 211 notice to fell and remove walnut tree at Priory Cottage, Gelston Road, Hough on the Hill.
- 9. To note S25/0704 Section 211 Notice to remove 4 conifer trees- Forge Farm House, 8 Grantham Road Hough on the Hill.
- 10. To note planning applications received from SKDC. S24/1956 Notification of withdrawal Conversion to existing The Cottage, 5 Village Streets, Gelston.

- 11. Play Area. To discuss and resolve the purchase of play bark to cover existing areas. To note play inspection reports received for March and April 2025.
- 12. Neighbourhood Plan and Design Code: Cllr Sharman update

Financial matters:

- 13. To note invoices totalling £2850 to Open Plan Consultants Limited in respect of neighbourhood plan on 27th March 2025.
- 14. To note Hough Gardening services invoice for £506 in respect of April grass cutting.
- 15. To note receipt of payments from SKDC in two parts of £857.69. £643.27 received on 17th March 2025 and £214.42 received on 3rd April 2025 in respect of community orchard.
- 16. To note payment of £872.59 on 13th March 2025 to Reg Taylor Gardening Services in respect of community orchard.
- 17. To note the payment to Community Heartbeat Trust of £468.00 in respect of annual support costs 2025-2026.
- 18. To note payment to SKDC for £53 in respect of St John's Church Brandon green bin.
- 19. To note payment of £84.99 on 3rd March 2025 to Microsoft 365 Personal for annual subscription costs.
- 20. To approve bank reconciliations for 31.03.25 and 30.04.25. The bank reconciliations had been checked by *Cllr Sharman* prior to the meeting.
- 21. Resolution to approve the payment of Clerks expenses March and April 2025 £29.44.
- 22. To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the 2024-2025 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) and for the clerk and chair to sign.
- 23. To approve the Accounting Statement for the 2024-2025 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) which has already been approved by the RFO and for the chair to sign.
- 24. To note the dates for the period for the exercise of public rights, as set by the RFO.
- 25. To review and adopt the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for this Council following the issue of a new model template by NALC.
- 26. To note date of next meeting Thursday 11th September 2025.