

Hethe Parish Council

Hethe Parish Council Meeting, Minutes From

Tuesday 14th October 2025 held at 7.30pm In Hethe Village Hall

Councillors Present S Wallace (Chair) Mrs S Hartwell, F Boon, Mrs J Ramsey, Mrs J Elkington.

In Attendance: D Jakeman (Clerk)

County Councillor Will Boucher -Giles **Village Resident.** Ben Jones

- 1. Apologies** Cllr Overton & Tweedale
- 2. Declaration of Interest**
- 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (8th July 2025)** Council agreed the minutes, and the Chairman signed the minutes.
- 4. Matters Arising**
- 5. Open Forum** Ben Jones asked the Council if it would be possible to put up a Christmas Tree near the war memorial where we have had one in the past. He said he would be happy to organise it. Members agreed that it would be a good idea. We also discussed the Tommy Solider, but the large silhouette is no longer available. White Gates at the entrance to the village were also discussed but they would need to be funded and would probably need on-going maintenance. It was decided not to proceed with this at the present time. Cllr Wallace thanked Ben for coming to the meeting and confirmed that residents are most welcome to come and discuss ideas with the Parish Council.
- 6. County Councillor** Will discussed, the rail project and encouraged members and residents to complete the online public consultation. He also advised that there are plans for a Solar Farm at Ardley. The County Council have a large amount of cash from Section 106 payments, OCC are currently looking at projects that need to be funded from this money, we also discussed traffic calming measures and what could be done if these large-scale developments are going ahead. We would try and request google maps GPS routeing to change to avoid the village. OCC are setting up a localities group to look at areas more closely; Cllr Will Giles will be chairing for Bicester and Kidlington.
- 7. Recreation Ground, General Maintenance and Play Park.** The clerk has completed the grant application and hopefully the Kick Wall will be in place before the summer holidays. Over the winter months the trees and the hedge will be cut. The play park minor repairs have been completed, and the zip wire has been removed for the time being as we seek to replace the wooden pole and then the zip wire will be serviced and reinstated.

- 8. Emergency Winter Planning, Snow Plough.** The Parish Council agreed to fund the snow plough if we need it. The salt bins have been filled, please email the Parish Clerk or let a member of the Council know if the salt bin is running low so that we can re fill it. DJ JE
- 9. Proposed Rail Freight Terminal Public Consultation** The public consultation closes on the 4th November 2025. Please complete it and give your views.
- 10. Clerks Report** CDC Parish Liaison meeting 12th November. Financial Bank Interest £6.44 & Precept £5,125 Payments Clerk £551.24, ICO £47, Dog Waste £151.01, Play Safe LTD £124.80 Ady Gould £754, British Legion £60.
- 11. Planning Applications** Land in between Rose View & Gold Hill Cottage, Plans Passed.
- 12. PUY du Fou** Planning Application is out for consultation. Hethe PC have objected to the application along with most of the local villages.
- 13. Warehousing Near Baynards Green** No further updates.
- 14. Locked Land** No further updates.
- 15. Agenda Items for January Meeting** To be with the clerk by 7th January 2026.
- 16. Date of Next Meeting** 20th January 2026.