

HOXNE PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are summoned to attend a meeting of Hoxne Parish Council on Thursday 2 July 2026 at 19.30 at Hoxne Playingfield Pavilion. The press and public are welcome to observe the meeting.

1. To consider apologies for absence.
2. To receive declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and consider requests for dispensations. Councillors to be reminded of the requirement for them to individually update their Registers of Interests as appropriate.
3. Public Forum:
 - a. To receive a report from Suffolk County Council and Mid Suffolk District Council.
 - b. To receive any comments from members of the public in attendance, or submitted in advance of the meeting, relating to matters on this Agenda.
4. To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 7 May 2026 and 4 June 2026.
5. Matters arising from the Minutes of 4 June 2026 meeting
 - a. Zoning of the parish – completed
 - b. Email sent to MP, County and District Councillors and nearby Parish Councils about the impact of large-scale solar and development schemes on local deer populations – responses awaited (see 7d below)
 - c. Letter of thanks sent to Hoxne Heritage Group
6. To consider any applications for co-option to the vacancies on the Parish Council.

7. Planning

- a. To consider responses to planning applications received from Mid Suffolk District Council:

Ref	Location	Application
DC/26/02450	Red House Lodge, Redhouse Farm Road, Hoxne IP23 7NW	Application for erection of pig rearing building, concrete pad and construction of a new drainage lagoon. Comments deadline: 03/07/2026
DC/26/02409	46 Low Street, Hoxne IP21 5AS	Notification of works to trees in a conservation area - Fell 1 French Famarix (T1), Fell 1 Sycamore (T2), Fell 1 Holly (T3) and reduce lateral branches of 1 Yew (T4) by 3ft. Comments deadline extended to: 03/07/2026
DC/26/02285 and DC/26/02286	Moat House, Green Street, Hoxne IP21 5AZ	Householder Application and Application for Listed Building Consent - Installation of 20 photovoltaic panels on the south facing roof of an existing outbuilding. Comments deadline extended to: 03/07/2026
DC/26/02661	Montana, Cross Street, Hoxne IP21 5AH	Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Installation of other solar photovoltaics equipment on the roofs of non-domestic buildings.

- b. To note the following planning decisions:

Ref	Location	Application
DC/26/02292	Sawmill Barn, Eye Road, Hoxne, Eye Suffolk IP21 5BA	Application for a Non-Material Amendment relating to DC/19/05144 - Amendments to glazing on north west and south west elevations. Approved

- c. To consider suggested responses to the joint local plan scoping consultation prepared by the Infrastructure Working Group.

- d. EcoPower Suffolk Solar Statutory Consultation open to 16 August 2026 – To consider issues for Hoxne:
- i. Use of B1118
 - ii. Impact of funnelling deer into ever smaller spaces and the potential impacts
 - iii. Brome and Oakley Parish Council's response to non-statutory consultation (January 2026)

8. Highways

- a. Update on Eye Road and B1118 / Green Street projects.
- b. Update regarding proposed 20mph Speed Limit.
- c. Updates regarding:
 - (1) Request to SCC to fund the changing of an uneven road surface sign to a warning triangle advising of the possibility of agricultural vehicles ahead - The Community Liaison Engineer is working on this.
 - (2) Letter to the farmer requesting a 'Beware of Traffic' sign be erected - The farmer has reviewed several possible options to improve safety and will endeavour to install a barrier across the entrance.

9. Flood Management

- a. Update regarding property flood resilience support for listed property owners.
- b. Update regarding natural flood management scheme.
- c. Council to consider purchasing a 3ft temporary flood depth gauge board at a cost of £102.15 +VAT.

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10. Asset Management

- a. Update regarding identification of potentially suitable areas for consideration by BMSDC as part of its meadow management project.
- b. To consider and approve a quote for repairs to the telephone box on Denham Road, and to approve the purchase of additional red paint.

11. Finance and Governance

- a. To receive the Council's financial position as at 30 June 2026, including receipt of £991.17 for equipment purchased under the Community Self Help Scheme.
- b. To ratify the following payments made between meetings:

Payee & Details	Amount
Nest Pension	£25.51
Bank Service Charge	£7.00

- c. To approve the following payments:

Payee & Details	Amount
Clerk's Salary	£446.31
Street Caretaker's Salary	£218.40
HMRC - PAYE/NIC	£197.53
Clerk's Expenses	£34.48
Street Caretaker's Expenses	£25.74
T Brown - Internal Audit Fee	£300.00

- d. To consider for approval the purchase of a pair of steel caped work boots for the street caretaker at a cost of £49.00.
- e. To review spend against budget to 30 June 2026.
- f. To consider a request from the Hoxne Garden & Social Club for the Parish Council to cover the hire of the village hall for the Hoxne Garden & Produce Show at a cost of £90.00.

12. Correspondence

To note receipt of the following correspondence:

Received	From	Subject
02/06/2026	SALC	Notification that Hoxne Parish Council's competition entry had won a storytelling chair for St Edmund's Primary School
12/06/2026	SALC	Nominations for Community Awards open until 12 July www.suffolkcommunityawards.co.uk
16/06/2026	Mickleton Against Inappropriate Development (MAID)	Request to support a Campaign Against Inappropriate Development by signing a petition requesting the Government to pause housebuilding targets on rural communities without the infrastructure to go with them https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/762214

13. Urgent matters and matters for information.

14. Date and location of next meeting – Thursday 6 August 2026 at Hoxne Playingfield Pavilion.

15. Pursuant to the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 the meeting will be closed to the public and press to discuss a confidential employment matter.

16. Close of meeting.

Signed: Ginny O'Hegarty Parish Clerk

Dated: 26 June 2026