



Horsham Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council

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HTNC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 13th May 2026 at 7:00PM, at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church (TRBC) Trafalgar Rd,
Horsham RH12 2QL

Minutes

1. The meeting was opened with a song (Touch the Sky), performed by Trinity Church Players after which it was learnt that they had donated in excess of £62K to worthy charities over the years from the events they had held. MW then welcomed all present to the meeting and offered copies of the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Alex Denne.
2. Following a proposal by EC which was seconded by CB, the minutes of the HTNC 2025 Annual General Meeting were approved.
3. There were no matters arising from the minutes.
4. The Chairman's report was taken later in the meeting, following the presentation of the Leonard Crosbie awards, but recorded here for compliance with the agenda.

I'd like to say a huge thank you to all councillors past and present who had their arms twisted to join the neighbourhood councils and keep us going, when they are already so busy.

It really made a difference because here in Trafalgar it needed only three other people for our meetings to become quorate so that we could make decisions.

These days it behoves us all to really pay attention to protecting our right to vote, to do that great, British thing, of championing the underdogs, and care for all life's bounty, including ourselves and each other. Undoubtedly hard times lie ahead, so we need to become resilient and self-sufficient and well connected to ripple out kindness, to continue to build strong supportive communities as we did in lockdown.

The **People's Emergency Briefing film** will be shown on the 26th of June at Brighton Rd Baptist Church at 7:00 PM and I would urge you all to see it, to learn what lies ahead.

An important part of a happy community is practising gratitude every day, as often as possible and to celebrate everything joyfully whenever we can, to buoy our spirits- just as we are taking this opportunity, this evening!



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Thank you all for helping us celebrate the end of an era-the final event of half a century of the Horsham Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council.

Thanks to you all so much for participating in making this small part of Horsham town so very special.

In recognition of all the work undertaken by current members, thanks were given and Colin Bush followed up by giving thanks to MW for her dedicated leadership as Chair over the past 5-years.

5. The Treasurer's report covering the period of 6th April 2025 – 5th April 2026 was presented by JFP. It is shown below and will be published on the HTNC website. JFP outlined how the money had been spent over the past year advising that HDC had awarded the funding so that members could support good causes within the local community. JFP invited questions from those attending:

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Accounts for the year ended 5 April 2026 - DRAFT		
Year ended	05/04/2026	05/04/2025
	£	£
Balance brought forward	7,390.06	5,416.26
Income		
HDC Annual Payment	8,221.50	7,917.00
Refunds (Cootes Farm+Leaflet delivery)	519.43	35.25
Total income	8,740.93	7,952.25
Expenditure		
Insurance premiums	224.00	
Website & email maintenance	120.00	120.00
Payroll and Pension Regulatory services (RPD) to 5 April 2025	666.00	666.00
Clers's Salary	3,295.60	3,000.00
Newsletter printing and distribution	1,919.66	951.00
Hall hire	5.00	300.00
Bank charges	25.00	60.00
Projects		
Speed indicator - Note 1	6,334.99	
June Harris Memorial Bench	864.84	
Swift boxes		60.00
Hedgehog boxes		200.00
Donations/Sponsorships:-		
Riverside Walk donation - Horsham Scouts	95.00	91.45
CAGNE support	10.00	
Holy Trinity Tower	250.00	40.00
CPRE	30.00	400.00
Cootes Farm	400.00	
i-Rock Horsham	70.00	
Steyning Community	125.00	
2nd Horsham Scouts donation		90.00
Total expenditure	14,435.09	5,978.45
	05/04/2026	05/04/2025
	£	£
Balance carried forward	1,695.90	7,390.06
Prepared by John F Preston	Signed/Date	
Audited by	Signed/Date	

MB had in his possession the original signed constitution for the Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council and read out the objectives; all present agreed that these had been thoroughly met and MB gave thanks to past and present members of HTNC who had made this all possible.

6. MB presented the following awards with the citation read out by MW:

- Individual Award:
 - **Alison Marshall**
- Climate and Ecology (Individual):
 - **Michael Burgess**



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- **Mike & Doreen Shepherd**
- **Ben Brace**
- Climate and Ecology Award (Group):
 - **Birds Farm Allotments Society**
- Community Group Awards:
 - **Trafalgar Road Baptist Church Community – Clare Schofield**
 - **Holy Trinity Church – Pastor John White**
 - **Trinity Cricket Club – President of the Cricket Club**
- Business Awards:
 - **Freemans the Undertakers of Horsham – Claire Clark**
 - **Jason Harman – Horsham Computers Ltd**
 - **Angelo Tavolieri - Taxi Service**
 - **The Coot Pub and Café – Sue Rafferty and Lydia**
 - **The Kings Arms – Jodie Munday (As Jodie had been unable to attend, the certificate would be hand delivered)**
 - **The Dog and Bacon – Kathryn and Phil**

8. As there was no other business, the meeting closed with a second song by Trinity Church Players 'Go the Distance' from the film Hercules.

9. The meeting closed at 19.55hrs