Great Snoring Parish Council

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Present: David Clifton, Averil Cooper, Steven Hall, Tom Norman (Chair), PJ Savory, Joyce Tibbitts
And one member of the public

Meeting of Great Snoring Parish Council
on Thursday 11 September 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Social Club

MINUTES

Welcome

1) **Apologies** from Dawn Spiteri (Vice-Chair), Tom FitzPatrick (District Councillor) and Michael Dalby (County Councillor) were accepted.

2) **Declarations of pecuniary interest** by the Councillors in any of the items listed below**.** None.

3) **Minutes of the previous Meeting** on 10 July were approved and signed.
4) **Matters arising:** Progress on items from previous meetings for information or reminders only. Items not on this agenda requiring decisions will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting**.**
   a) It was reported that someone had been sleeping rough in the Church, the Tower had been broken into and the clock had been stopped. The lock on the Tower door has been replaced and the police informed.
   b) It was also reported that one of the chestnuts in the churchyard had dropped a huge branch which had caused extensive damaged to the church including broken windows.

5) **The Meeting was temporarily closed** for Parishioners to express any concerns they have and for reports from the District and County Councillors**.**
   a) An allotment tenant asked if anything could be done about the huge number of rabbits on the allotments. It was agreed that Steven would make enquiries at the Sandringham Game and Country Fair about the best way to tackle to problem – possibly using ferrets.

The Chair re-opened the meeting.

6) **Planning**
   a) **Proposals** received from NNDC since the last meeting. None.
   b) **Decisions** made by **NNDC.** None

7) **Highways and Footpaths**: https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem
   a) **Items to report**
      i) Footpath by the church wall needs to be cleared.
      ii) Request to NNDC for the road sweeper to sweep the rest of Thursford Road beyond the junction with Dildash Lane.

8) **Street furniture / Environment**
   a) Application for Street Furniture Licence for the bench on the Tuns Knoll has been granted.

9) **Allotments**
   a) It was noted that the annual rents were due in October and that there had been some enquiries from residents in Little Snoring.
   b) Steven would investigate how to deal with rabbits

10) **Gurney's Ground**
      i) Report on visual inspection of playground. It was noted that the tension on the zip wire had been adjusted and that the weeds had been strimmed. No issues to report.

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Chair

ii) It was noted that the rep from Kompan confirmed that the Parish Council should monitor and fix any problems with the equipment and that this would not affect the guarantee.

11) **Financial business**

a) **Receipts** since 1 April: Precept £3400; HMRC VAT refund £146.85;
b) **Regular payments** since 1 April**:** Hingley Agric £496: salary & on costs
c) **Balances as at 31 July**: Current ac: £548.95; Savings acc: £6704.70; Defib and gate savings £313.54 & chq ac £0.50; Clock savings £465.84 & chq ac £20.23.
d) **Receipts** since 31 May: interest £21.38; recycling credits (paper and textiles) £182.84
e) **Regular payments** since 31 May: Hingley Agr (grass cutting £268; salary and on-costs

f) **The following payments were approved:**

Payee	Chq no	Amount	Date
Joanna Otte (expenses)	100563	£25.27	
Walsingham Parish Council (printing newsletter)	100564	£9.60	
Norfolk ALC (gov.uk emails)	100565	£20.00	

12) Employment

a) Salary increase for 2025-26. The Local Government Association (LGA) advised the National Association of Local Councils that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has agreed on pay rates applicable from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026.'
   i) SCP 19: was £16.10 increased to £16.62. Back pay for 2025-26 April to August: £33.80 (incl employee's pension contribution £1.86); employer's pension contribution £7.60.
   ii) The instructions to the bank to make the back payments and to change the monthly payments were approved and signed.

13) **Correspondence:** mail circulated as usual via email

14) **Items for report or placing on the agenda for the next Meeting.**

a) Rabbits

15) Date of the next meeting: **Thursday 13 November 2025 at 7 pm** in the Social Club.

Meeting closed at 7:40 pm

Signed_____ Date……..
Chair