

Minutes of Great Gaddesden Parish Council Meeting

held at 7:30 pm on Monday 20 October 2025

at Great Gaddesden Village Hall

Present: C Griffin (chair), M Griffin and R Hamilton

In attendance: A Farrow (Clerk), Borough Councillor J Timmis and ten members of the public

Agenda number	Agenda subject and action
25/100	Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Halsey and Turner
25/101	Declaration of Interests – none (but see 25/109.b)
25/102	<u>Minutes</u> Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2025 as circulated to members be signed as a correct record. Agreed unanimously.
25/103	Public participation a. An update was requested on the missing pedestrian warning sign on the Leighton Buzzard Rd. The Clerk reported that the matter had been raised with Highways which had declined to replace it. b. The Council was asked to support a request that Cnty Cllr Smith-Wright lobby Highways for a reduction in the speed limit on Pipers Hill. Agreed that the Council would support the request and that the Clerk would write to Cllr Smith-Wright accordingly. c. Regarding 25/104, concern was expressed at the preliminary proposal to create a car park in the churchyard of St John the Baptist Great Gaddesden.
25/104	Correspondence received a. <u>Car parking at St John the Baptist Church, Great Gaddesden</u> – the Council was asked for its initial reaction to the proposal. It was agreed that at the moment there was insufficient information to form a considered opinion. The Council have requested a representative from the church attend a future GGPC meeting so they could gain more understanding of the proposal.
25/105	<u>Matters outstanding</u> – noted as presented to members.
25/106	Borough and County Councillor updates – Cllr Timmis confirmed that she would be supporting Cllr Douris' motion to Dacorum BC (see 25/111.d).
25/107	Local Government re-organisation – Cllr Timmis agreed to ask Dacorum BC for its asset register for her ward. Otherwise this item was deferred to November.
25/108	Highways – the Clerk as asked to remind the police that they had undertaken to attend meetings on a regular basis.
25/109	Planning a. <u>Past planning applications</u> – noted the report submitted to members

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	b. Planning applications since the last meeting – noted the following response given under the Clerk’s delegated powers since the last meeting. 25/02392/TCA The White House, Potten End Hill Water End, HP1 3BN No objection Fell trees. Noted that Cllrs C Griffin and M Griffin had an interest in this application and had not participated in the decision. c. New planning applications – noted that no new planning applications had been received d. Planning applications received since the date of the agenda e. Local Plan – noted the report submitted to members. Agreed that the Clerk would draft speaking notes for Cllr M Griffin in advance of the session with the Planning Inspectors. 25/110 Open spaces – agreed that the Clerk would consider whether notice should be given for an increase in allotment rents for 2026. 25/111 Finance and administration a. Payment of invoices - agree payment of invoices as presented to members. b. Payments received – noted the credits received since the last meeting as presented to members. c. New councillors – noted that four expressions of interest had been received for the two vacancies. Agreed that a deadline of 11 November would be set for nominations to be received. d. Dacorum BC grants – agreed to ask Borough Cllr Timmis to support the motion proposed by Cllr T Douris at the Full Council meeting of Dacorum BC on 22 October that the Cabinet removes any proposal to reduce the Concurrent Services and Wardens Grants from the 2026/27 budget. e. CIL – noted that the Parish Council had received £10,936 from the development at Hawk Barn, Bradden Lane (23/02346/FUL). Agreed that the utilisation of the CIL would be considered as part of the budget process for 2026/27. 25/112 Date and time of next meetings: 7:30pm on Tuesday 18 November 2025 at Gaddesden Row Village Hall 7:30pm on Tuesday 20 January 2026 at Gaddesden Row Village Hall

The meeting closed at 20:45.

Signed

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