HITCHAM & TAPLOW SOCIETY

Executive Committee Meeting
Larkspur Mill Lane
Thursday November 19h 2026, 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present	Apologies
Roger Worthington	
Mike Turner	Cat Howard
Jacqueline Turner	Robert Harrap
Andrew Findlay	Rupert Sellers
Jane Curry	Sue Thornton
Eva Lipman	Charlie Greeves
Jonathan Specktor	

1) **ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**
As above

2) **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
Minutes of 15/10/2026 meeting were agreed and signed.

3) **MATTERS ARISING**
Nothing not covered in the agenda.

4) **TREASURER'S REPORT**
Balances are £9311.16 in the Charity Bank notice account and £3110.65 in the Community account. Membership is 226.

5) **NEWSLETTER**
   a) Obituary for Brian Horton planned, probably written by Nigel Smales.
   b) Cat still up for finding articles.

6) **Tidy up Taplow (TuT)**
   a) Taplow Village Hall Perkins Room booked 10:00 – 12:00 (for free!) on Sunday March 14th. Note to Ruth to extend 9:00 - 13:00 (JC).
   b) JT to organise risk assessment and bins collection.

7) **AGM**
   a) April 21st 2027. 19:00 – 22:00. – hall booked.
   b) Sue will organise cups – probably 25. Sue herself probably cannot attend.
   c) Still need a speaker. No good leads re Maidenhead speaker. RW to see where Neighbourhood Plan will have got to. Continue to think about this one.

8) **PLANNING**
Still very quiet.

a) New Applications and Decisions of interest
   (i) Specialist pub renovation company interested in The Feathers
   (ii) New application for Care Home, strictly in Burnham, opposite Tesco.
   (iii) Cliveden Stud site got permission to split main house into two.

b) Appeals & Enforcements
   (i) The Marshmead site is way exceeding its remit with hard standing for open storage. Representations made. Causing traffic jams on A4.
   (ii) Objection in for what is happening at Root's site – "open storage" planning consent being abused. County Enforcement has written to them and will chase.

c) Cliveden
   (i) Section 12 directive (whole site couldn't be broken up covenants) has been removed.

d) Neighbourhood Plan
   (i) No new updates.
   (ii) Identified all owners of land that are within 800m of station and written to them.

9) AOB

a. Update to Transport page on the web site as bucks.gov.uk link broken; now points to https://livebustimes.co.uk/ for buses. GWR link also removed as GWR no longer services Taplow. The "Taplow Station" link gives the National Rail site for Taplow for the Elizabeth Line.
b. Eva standing down at next AGM; planning to move to Cookham Dean.
c. Crime issues are currently very slight (JS).
d. Playgroup working to fund air conditioning in main room of Taplow Village Hall. AF suggested they also consider changing the glass to reduce heat.
e. RW asked whether anyone wanted to be Chairman. If not, should he look elsewhere?

Thanks to Mike and Jacqueline for hosting.

Next meeting Thursday January 14th at 7:30 at Larkspur.

2027 dates:

Thursday Jan 14th
Thursday Feb 11th
Thursday Mar 18
No Apr – AGM Apr 21st
Thursday May 13
Thursday June 10th VGP planning
Thursday June 24 VGP wrapup

All on the HTS "Taplow Diary" web page.

SIGNED:……..

Planning report October/ November 2026

Part 1 – general applications Roger Worthington

New applications of interest

PL/26/07124/FA	The Feathers. Common Land issue Common Land comment drafted	

Decisions of interest

PL/25/5269/FA	Ye Meads Barn rebuild	APPROVED
PL/26/06131/FA	Joes Folly substation	APPROVED
PL/24/1149/MDLA	Stud release of S12 restrictions	APPROVED
PL/26/05378/FA	Barge Farm residential development	
PL/26/03789/FA	Johnsons Coppice retrospective	WITHDRAWN We supported resident complaint

Outstanding applications of interest

PL/26/03178/EU	Downlands Barn B8 storage
PL/26/01050/FA	Huntswood golf revisions

Appeals

PL/25/6318/PNAD	Dorney Rise Farm conversion from agriculture to residential

Enforcement

PL/24/1726/EU	Possible unlawful extensions Marshmead – active.	COMMENTED
Roots site	Erection of building without approval - active	COMMENTED