



Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the **Full Parish Council meeting**

held on Tuesday 1st September 2026 at 1830 in Committee Room 2 of Sedlescombe Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs Chapman (RC), Saull-Hunt (JSH), Anderson (GA), Saunders (KS) Chair, Horrill, Cornelius
2 members of the public (MOP)

Mrs Jackie Scarff (Clerk/RFO),

Public Questions:

In accordance with **Standing Orders** **ten minutes** are available for the Public to express a view or ask a question on **relevant matters on the following agenda.**

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to stay and observe the rest of the meeting.

Item	Item (C26.)
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| 1. | To receive apologies and reasons for absence in accordance with The Local Government Act 1972 S85 (1) |
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Apologies were received from Cllrs Coupar and Caney

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| 2. | To consider accepting the apologies. |
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Resolved: that apologies were accepted.

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| a. | Other absences to note. |
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| 3. | Disclosure of Interests: - In accordance with the Localism Act 2011 to receive any disclosure by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Revised Code of Members Conduct |
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| a. | Disclosable Pecuniary Interests |
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GA declared a pecuniary interest in item 16d.

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| b. | Other Interests (Non-Pecuniary) |
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To consider granting any dispensations.

None required

Nb: Any changes to the register of interests should be notified to the clerk immediately.

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| 4. | Exclusion of the Public: - To exclude the public & press for a particular item the following resolution must be passed. |
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‘Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 S1(2), the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature or other special reason (to be specified) of the business to be transacted.’

The Council resolved pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 S1(2), to exclude the press and the public from agenda item 13 due to the confidential and commercially sensitive nature of the business to be transacted.

The council resolved that Jonathan Vine-Hall, who had been appointed as a Community Project Representative for the project being discussed, be invited to remain for the item in order to provide assistance to the council as required.

5. To receive the minutes of the Full Council
6. Meeting of the Full Council on [16th June 2026](#) to be considered for approval and signed as a true record.

Resolved: The minutes of 16th June 2026 were approved as a true record and signed by the chair.

[Business Transacted](#)

7. To consider the application for the vacant office of parish councillor.

Resolved: After being duly proposed and seconded, by unanimous vote Nigel Ford (NF) was voted in as a parish Cllr.

8. If the appointment is made to pause the meeting to sign the declaration of acceptance of office.

Resolved: The meeting was paused and NF signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

9. To receive any planning comments made to the planning authority through delegated powers for ratification.

There were none presented.

10. To consider a response to Rother District Council for the following application.

[RR/2026/0904/HOU](#)

High Bank House, Sandrock Hill, Sedlescombe, TN33 0QR.

Proposed two-storey side extension and enlargement of rear decking (Renewal of lapsed planning permission RR/2020/1311/P).

[RR/2026/0929/HOU](#)

Killingham House, Hurst Lane, Sedlescombe, TN33 0PE

Replacement of existing static caravan with a detained ancillary residential pavilion within the residential curtilage of Killingham House.

11. To consider allowing a temporary pen on The Green for the geese and agree any actions required.

After a discussion regarding the usage of the green and the welfare of the geese the clerk was asked to discuss the item further with the person who had made the request.

12. To discuss the legal case with BT Openreach and agree any actions required.

The clerk explained what happened at the court case. The Cllrs agreed that the clerk should write to BT and ask if they would agree to pay the costs incurred.

Resolved: The clerk was asked to write to BT Openreach and ask if they would cover the cost of the solicitor incurred when trying to get the pole removed from the Village Green.

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13. To consider supporting the GP surgery's communication to the local residents
- Resolved:** The Cllrs were supportive in principle but asked for more information including how much money would be needed and the clerk was asked to put it on the next agenda.
14. To receive an update on the traffic calming project, to review the details for the tender document, the next steps and agree any actions required.
- The Cllrs had received the documents for review in advance. The clerk had provided notes to go with the documents. The clerk asked that the council consider asking a qualified consultant to review the documents before they were published.
- Resolved:** The clerk would pass the documents to a local consultant for review.
15. To note that the next meeting will take place at Sedlescombe Village Hall, committee room 2 Tuesday 15th September at 6.30pm. This meeting would be a full council meeting, not the advertised Finance Executive meeting.