



# WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of Wantage Town Council Health Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 at 7.30pm in The Beacon, Portway, Wantage, OX12 9BX  
The minutes are draft until approved at the next meeting

## Committee Members Present:

J Hannaby (Chair), A Arnold (substitute member), S Cunningham, K Morris (substitute member)

## Others Present:

Cllr R Batstone, J Parker, M Swain.

**In attendance:** J Evans and L Brown

		ACTION
22	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Cllr J Hanna, J Hutchinson, J Leggott, J Maberley, S Stephenson, Cllr C Walters.	
23	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> None.	
24	<b>Minutes of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b> The minutes were approved. Proposed Cllr Hannaby Seconded Cllr Cunningham. RESOLVED.	
25	<b>Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.</b> a) <b>Schools conference.</b> Schools to be contacted in September. Committee members to send ideas for topics to be covered to the Clerk and Communications Officer. b) <b>Dentistry.</b> A report on the survey was presented. There had been 90 responses to date. A link to the survey was to be included in the e-newsletter at the end of July. Findings from the survey to be sent to our MP and ANSAFF. Cllr Hanna to be asked if anyone else should receive it. Results to be published. LB to send the consultation to the Clerk at Grove PC. Cllr Hanna to circulate her dentistry report.	All members  LB/JH
26	<b>Statements and Questions from the Public</b> None.	
27	<b>Report on Hospital visit</b> It was noted that the visit was well planned and conducted. Plans for the hospital had been clearly explained. Interior décor had been discussed. It was noted that there would be no change externally.	
28	<b>Update on Wantage Hospital Project</b> Procurement was going through as quickly as possible. The contractor was to be appointed in mid-August with work starting in October. The CIL fund was secure. Cllr Hanna was to meet with the	

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	Oxford University Trust. LB to send details on the services to be included in the hospital to Cllr Cunningham.	LB
29	<b>Defibrillators</b> Office staff to work on an audit for all the defibrillators in the town. It was important to understand if they were being serviced. The audit would only cover those units that were for general access. A defibrillator training course was to be arranged in the autumn.	Clerk
30	<b>HOSC report</b> HOSC had been reviewing the Marmot report. Cllr Hanna was to make a report to the County Council.	
31	<b>I&amp;E report</b> Circulated.	
32	<b>Design of new Adult Social Care services</b> An email outlining the project was discussed. A meeting was to be held online on 21 <sup>st</sup> July. MS volunteered to attend and report back. Concern was raised over the potential impact of the project.	MS
33	<b>Government 10 Year health plan</b> The plan was to be rolled out to 50 areas initially. The objective was to reduce the administrative overhead and increase digital access to healthcare. Phone access was to be available for those without access to digital services. There were also plans to work with pharmaceutical companies to obtain cheaper medication.	
34	<b>Date of future meetings</b> Future meetings: 23 October, 8 December.	

The meeting closed at: 20.35

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_