MINUTES OF THE TURNERS HILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER 2026 AT THE ARK

PRESENT: Cllr B Forbes (Chairman), Cllr S Hughesdon, Cllr J Forbes, Cllr I Gibson, F Lutman, C Jarvis and, Miss E Norman (Assistant Clerk)
Mid Sussex District Cllr: Jenny Edwards

261 Apologies
Cllr G Marsh and Cllrs: P Coote
West Sussex County Cllr: Mel Winn

262 Declarations of interests in any agenda item listed
None.

263 Fifteen minutes for public participation
None.

264 Chairman's announcements
- Tulley's Farm have offered to renovate the Turners Hill sign currently located on the Village Green in the New Year.
- The debris on the footpath along East Street between the Ark and Rayfosters has been escalated to District Council and County Council for resolution.

265 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2026
The minutes were approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman.

266 Matters currently being pursued - report by the Clerk
- M.U.G.A: MSDC has closed the facility due to safety concerns. The Clerk has placed a notice on the gate. An update is expected following MSDC's budget and parks/assets review.
- The Ark: Boiler 1 is operational again. An earmarked reserve for its replacement is recommended for the next financial year.
- Allotments: Tenants have raised concerns about deer damaging crops, compounded by the dry summer. Following recent fencing repairs, the matter will remain under review.
- School Access: Concerns regarding children crossing Selsfield Road and Church Road have been escalated, with West Sussex County Councillor Mel Winn involved. The school has issued a poster, and Cllrs Lutman and Hughesden have met with the Headteacher, who has re-shared the vacancy advertisement with parents.
- Wellness Group: A thank-you has been received for the Parish Council's £180 grant.

267 Planning Applications – to consider the following:

DM/24/2179	Removal/Variation of Condition DM/16/0024 to extend opening hours for Christmas shopping and hosting private functions.

The Council raised no concerns with regards to the removal/variation of condition.

268 Report on previous planning applications:

DM/26/2160 Chimneys, 7 Newstone Cottages, East Street
The application has been withdrawn.

269 Accounts Due for Payment – September 2026.
It was RESOLVED that:

a. The accounts shown on the schedule as being due for payment be paid.
b. The accounts shown on the schedule as having been paid since the meeting held on 1st September 2026 be approved.
c. The accounts schedule, covering payments made up to and including 30th September 2026, be duly signed.

270 Civic Award – written nominations to be sent to the Clerk by end of October for consideration by Councillors in November and presentation in January.

271 Correspondence
Slides from the NPPF meeting held by Mid Sussex District Council were circulated to Councillors and noted. No questions were raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8:19pm

Signed ……Chairman
3rd November 2026

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The next meeting of Turners Hill Parish Council will be held on 3rd November 2026 at 7:30pm in the Dove Suite