

**THERE IS TO BE An ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
TAKING PLACE ON 14th JULY AT 6.30PM
IT IS BEING HELD IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO MEETING
THE AGENDA IS AS FOLLOWS:**

76/26 To Record those Present and list any Apologies

Those present were: Cllr S Parish – Chairman, Cllr G Worthy, Cllr N Fursdon and Cllr S Instance, also present was 1 member of the public and the Proper Officer(PO)

Apologies were received from Cllr J Tritton, Cllr Hollingsbee – F&HDC and Cllr Hespe – KCC

77/26 To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Other Significant Interests (OSI's) or a Voluntary interest relating to items on the agenda.

There were none reported.

78/26 To Agree the Minutes of the following meetings

a) The 9th June 2026

b) The 26th June 2026

Both sets of minutes having been previously circulated were agreed and signed as a true record.

79/26 Open Session for member of the Public

The member of the public present asked for a vote of thanks to be recorded to the Parish Council for the time they put in for the benefit of the parish.

80/26 To hear reports from;

a) Cllr Hollingsbee – District Councillor

b) Cllr Martin – District Councillor

c) Cllr Hespe – KCC Cllr

All three reports were noted, they will be placed on the website, and also in the parish Magazine.

81/26 Finance

a) To Agree/ratify payments as listed

The list was circulated prior to the meeting, and all were agreed

Direct 365	Inv. 002500462 Waste 19/7 to 18/08	£138.78	DD
Clear Insurance	Inv. 558019605 Mower & van	£1512.68	Bacs 03/07/2026 55755794
J Sherlock	Van 02779 MOT, labour & Parts	£176.52	Bacs
Sellindge V/Hall	Invoice 26/107 Electric	£22.55	Bacs
	Invoice 26/108 Hire of hall	£22.00	Bacs

b) To consider the quote for the repair of loose/damaged posts on The Lees

This was circulated prior to the meeting, as per our standing orders, this is a local company so only one quote has been obtained. However this does not preclude the option of others if wished
A short debate took place, where it was considered a fair price, and it was agreed that the work should go ahead.

c) Bank reconciliations

To note and, adopt and sign the reconciliations for May and June

Having not been circulated prior to the meeting, time was allowed for Councillors to look at the reconciliations; these were Noted and signed by the chairman.

82/26 Planning

To consider the following applications

1. 26/1065, 4 Oak Cottages, Barrow Hill. Dropped kerb, vehicular access & Hard standing
Cllrs had been made aware of the application and had looked at it prior to the meeting. Cllr Fursdon commented that a number of properties had been given permission in previous years, and there was no planning reason to object. The PO was asked to send support comments to the DC

83/26 Correspondence Update

The PO had circulated the report. Items raised are listed in the appendix below

84/26 Matters of General Interest

(It is not for items that require a decision.)

- Notice board in Meadow Grove. This had been damaged beyond repair. The clerk has only obtained an outline cost for replacement.
- Glass and other debris that cause injury is being left on the Lees, and in some cases the glass fragments are being pushed into the ground. A general debate took place where it was suggested that a byelaw be introduced for the area. The PO was asked to report things to the police, although it was felt that a letter should go to the residents of the area around the Lees to see if anyone has seen anything.

85/26 To adopt the following policy

1. Lone Working

It was agreed to defer this item as although the document had been circulated it was earlier in the year and members wished to re-read the document.

86/26 To confirm the date of the next meeting and Close

The date of the Council meeting will be on 11th August, there being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm

Agenda Item 83/26 Correspondence
Appendix

1. Emails from KALC, NALC, F&HDC District and County Council, and other round robin emails have been forwarded as they arrived.

1. Various issues around the front of the shop/office.
2. Problems with ASB on The Lees
3. Fly tipping in and around the bin stores

1. Have had it confirmed that First Port look after the area and am chasing them on its current condition.
2. Having spoken to First Port about getting a key or fob for the store, I am waiting for them to get to me.
3. The flats are owned/managed by Sage Housing, I have also spoken to them about the issues that are taking place

After phone calls and emails the area it is sage homes who own them.
The phone number is **020 8168 0500**

With regards to the broken glass around the playground, I have since also been informed that there has been some left around the pond.

Other emails

1. On Wayleaves

I was asked to enquire about whether or not wayleaves were paid for the underground electric cables – UK Power Networks do not pay this.
They went on to state, We also note that the rest of the high voltage cables were installed by and Independent Distribution Network Operator, Energy Assets, and you would need to contact them regarding any wayleave agreements.
Unfortunately, we do not hold contact details for the company.

*2. I was wondering if you to point me in the right direction or are able to help me.
I've recently moved my horse to Hayton manor stables and many of us regularly ride along swan lane, between Moorstock lane and broad street.
I can not believe the speed cars go fast the horses. I know it's a 60mph road but drivers are not slowing down at all. This is an accident waiting to happen.
I have also heard there has been an accident involving a horse and rider on that road in the past too.*

I really feel a 'horse riding sign' would help and warn drivers that riders are on the roads. How or who do I need to speak to about this?

Need to agree if this should be further investigated.

3. KALC – have asked for motions for the AGM in October.

4. Noise Swan Lane, 'who, when or how was it designated as a festival ground'
5. Patrick Joyce, re the new office, should be getting confirmation of the building regs next week.
6. Letter from Direct365 stating the current £4.00 a visit, fuel levy will continue for the time being.
7. Emails regarding concerns at the state of the churchyard, - Geoff on holiday s resolved.