



# Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at Great Chart Village Hall Starting at 7.00pm Agenda

## 1. Election of:

- 1.1. **Chair, and signing of the Declaration of Office**
- 1.2. **Vice chair(s), and signing of the Declaration of Office**

## 2. Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies for absence.

## 3. Declarations of Interest

To hear declarations of interest on this agenda, relating to:

### 3.1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Under Localism Act 2011 relating to items on this agenda. The nature as well as the existence of any such interests must be declared.

### 3.2. Other Significant Interests

Under the Kent Code of Conduct for members relating to items on this agenda. The nature as well as the existence of any such interests must be declared.

### 3.3. Other Interests

Not required to be disclosed under 2.1 or 2.2, eg stated for transparency reasons alone such as membership of other bodies who may be affected by decisions on agenda items or where Councillors themselves or their family or close associates may be affected by such decisions.

## 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To approve the [minutes of the meeting](#) held on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 as a true record.

**Public Participation:** There will be 15 minutes of the meeting to hear public questions and comments.

## 5. Safeguarding

To receive update on any matters relating to safeguarding

## 6. Reports from Committees/Groups

To receive reports from committees

### 6.1. Planning Committee

6.1.1. To receive reports on [planning decisions](#).

6.1.2. To acknowledge that Hodson development has left Chilmington Green

6.1.3. To review and agree on proposed walking route to Chilmington Green

### 6.2. Singleton Spaces

### 6.3. Environment Committee

### 6.4. Finance Committee

### 6.5. Devolution Working Group

### 6.6. Parish Building

To approve appointment of planning consultant

### 6.7. Staffing Committee

### 6.8. Community Engagement Officer

6.8.1. To confirm 6 month probation review

6.8.2. To acknowledge [written report](#)

## 7. Grant Applications

To consider and approve grant applications

### 7.1. Ashford United Church

### 7.2. DreamDragons

### 7.3. Grow19

## 8. Review of Policies

To approve policies and procedures (if applicable)

### 8.1. [Standing Orders 2026](#)

### 8.2. [Statement of Internal Control](#)

### 8.3. [Risk Assessment and Management Policy](#)

### 8.4. [Code of Conduct](#)

### 8.5. [Action Plan](#)

#### 9. Election of Members for the following Committees and Working Groups

Finance Committee Staffing Committee Environment Committee	Complaints Committee Planning Committee Devolution Working Group Stronger Communities Working Group
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#### 10. Review and ApPOINT of PC Representatives to Outside Organisations

Toke and Streeter Almshouses Great Chart Village Hall Singleton Village Hall Barrow and Spade	Great Chart Playing Fields Association Bean Fund KALC (Ashford) Forum Singleton Spaces
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#### 11. Finance

##### 11.1. Items for Payment

To agree [items for payment](#) in May and acknowledge, [credit card payments](#) in April, bank reconciliation and earmarked reserves. List of items to be checked and signed.

##### 11.2. Budget Line

To approve the distribution of the designated budget to groups for the 2026-2027 financial year

##### 11.3. Banking Arrangements

To receive update on banking arrangements

##### 11.4. Insurance

To consider and approve insurance renewal

##### 11.5. Parish Assets

To note inspection frequency of parish council assets

##### 11.6. Music Lab

To approve workshops

##### 11.7. Horse Structure

To consider taking on responsibility for the horse structure located on the bypass

#### 12. Reports from Borough Councillors and other organisations

##### 12.1. Cllr Bill Barrett – Singleton East Ward

##### 12.2. Cllrs Jessamy Blanford & Alan Pickering – Weald Central Ward

##### 12.3. Cllr Sally Gathern- Singleton West Ward

##### 12.4. Cllr Clive Hallett -Washford Ward

#### 13. Reports from County Councillors

##### 13.1. Cllr Jeremy Eustace – Ashford Rural West

##### 13.2. Cllr Nick Wibberley – Ashford South

#### 14. Clerk's Report and Update on Issues not Listed Elsewhere on the Agenda

[Report](#) on recent or ongoing activities.

#### 15. Correspondence

Review of correspondence received since the last meeting.


#### 16. Items for Information or Agenda for Next Meeting

To receive items of information from members and/or for inclusion on next agenda.

#### 17. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next scheduled Council Meeting will be held on Monday, **9<sup>th</sup> June 2025** at **Singleton Village Hall** starting at 7.00 pm. The Annual Meeting of the Electors will be held on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025** starting at 7.00 pm at **Great Chart Village Hall**

Signed



Aniko Szocs- Clerk to Parish Council