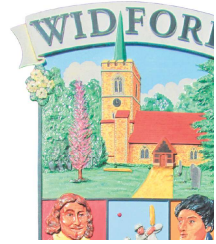


Widford Parish Council

To: Cllrs Mike Allen, Ian Collins, Andy Djemal, Mark Rome, Josh Warren
You are summoned to attend the following meeting to transact this business agenda:



Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 2nd September 2025 in Widford Village Hall at 7.30pm

Public and press are welcome to join the meeting, although under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, public and press may be excluded for the discussion of confidential business. Please note that public participation is not permitted except during the time designated for public comments.

Signed: Colin Marks, Proper Officer and Clerk to Widford Parish Council

Date: 27th August 2025

AGENDA

In accordance with The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, SI 2095, only non-confidential business (press and public present) may be filmed, recorded, photographed, broadcast, or reported via social media by any person. Recording and reporting the Council's meetings is subject to the law, including the Human Rights Act, the Data Protection Act, and the laws of libel and defamation, and it is the responsibility of those doing so to comply.

25.076 Apologies for absence

1. Councillors: to receive and approve acceptance of councillor apologies
2. Other apologies

25.077 Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations

1. To receive members' Declarations of Interest for items on the agenda (including non-pecuniary, with the nature of the interest. Members should give due regard to the Disclosable Pecuniary Interests notice at the end of this agenda).
2. Dispensations: Cllr Mike Allen re Playing Field matters, being a trustee. Cllr Ian Collins re Closed Churchyard matters, his wife having the maintenance contract.

25.078 Approval of Minutes:

July 1st Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

25.079 Police Report:

1. To receive the Safer Neighbourhood Team report
2. To receive Police priority September to December

25.080 Chairman's Announcements

25.081 To receive reports from County and District Councillors

25.082 Planning

1. New Planning Applications

3/25/1032/HH	1 Lilley Wood Lane: Erection of outbuilding to replace original	By 27 Aug extended
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2. Decision Notices (for information only)

3/25/1051/LBC	Widford JMI School: Replacement roof; raac removal and other works.	GRANTED
3/25/1012/HH	The Croft, Nether Street: Close boarded boundary fence.	Awaited
3/25/0815/FUL	Access off Medcalf Hill: Improvements and temporary upgrades to an existing agricultural access off Medcalf Hill (B1004).	Awaited
3/25/0901/OUT	Priory Farm: Outline with all matters reserved except access for the demolition of the Doe Shed and erection of single self-build dwelling.	Awaited
3/25/0808/FUL	Priory Farm Land East Of The B180: Creation of a new agricultural access and stopping up of the existing access for vehicles.	GRANTED
3/25/0460/FUL	Priory Farm Barns: Conversion and partial re-building of agricultural buildings into two residential dwellings; landscaping and carparking.	Awaited
3/25/0461/LBC		
3/25/0480/OUT	Land South of Levenage Lane: Outline planning for 8 houses	Awaited

3/25/0231/FUL	Wilmoor: Demolition of outbuilding. Erection of dwelling incorporating air source heat pump, landscaping and creation of access	Awaited
3/25/0182/FUL	Youngs Little Acre: Retention of welfare unit and turkey preparation unit	REFUSED
3/24/1031/HH	Ashbourne Manor: Extension to single storey garage	REFUSED

3. Other planning matters

1. To consider any late planning applications received after the agenda was published
2. 3/24/1495/FUL Land at Bourne Lane APPEALED
3. Land for sale and Bourne Lane access.

25.083 Finance

1. To receive report on the Council's finances at 31st July 2025
2. To approve bank reconciliation at 31st July 2025
3. To receive 2023/24 financial performance against budget to 31st July 2025
4. To approve list of orders for payment
5. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2024/25: Update
6. Annual Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) Review: Update
7. To approve the 3.2% National Wage Award backdated to 1st April 2025

25.084 Correspondence: To note list of correspondence (*list below, for information only*)

25.085 Village Reports

1. **Village Hall:** To receive report and update on plans
2. **Playing Field:** To receive report
3. **Allotments**
 1. To receive report
 2. Mains water supply: update
4. **Closed Churchyard:**
 1. To receive report
 2. To consider boundary wall responsibility

25.086 Highways, footpaths and byways: to receive reports and consider any action

1. **Footpaths and Public Rights of Way**
 1. FP1: Update on stile replacement
 2. Nether Street kissing gate: Reportedly near to collapsing
 3. Work required at the ditch and gate at the bottom of the path by the allotments: Update
2. **Highways and footways**
 1. Update: Enforcement issues at Greenacres
3. **Other parish matters and concerns:** to consider any matters raised
 1. Defibrillator management: Update
 2. Chalk stream improvements works along the valley: update

25.087 Village archive:

1. To consider the revised Archive Policy wording with suggested amendments
2. To consider draft Archive loan agreement PCC/WPC
3. To consider Archive wish list and estimated costs

25.088 Benningfield Green: 1. To consider licence annual renewal 2. To consider quote for grass maintenance

25.089 Change to .gov.uk domain and email: update

25.090 Urgent matters: To note matters received too late for this agenda (for full discussion on the next agenda)

To consider suspending the Meeting for Public Comments:

Limited to a total of 15 minutes. One question/statement only of no more 3 minutes maximum per person.

Meeting to be resumed

25.091 To note items for addition to future agendas

1. Draft budget 2026/27: November meeting
2. Donation to the PCC archive housing arrangements

25.092 Date of next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 4th November 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Correspondence list for Agenda item 25.084 - for information only (refer to specific agenda items for action)

- Parishioner: Nether Street kissing gate near to collapse (25.086.1.2)
- Parishioner: request to support planning appeal objection
- Cllr Eric Buckmaster: County position on flags on lamp posts