

BORDEN PARISH COUNCIL



All members of Borden Parish Council are hereby summoned to attend the Full Council meeting to be held on Thursday, 20th August 2026, at the Pavilion, Wisles Lane, which will commence at 7:00 pm.

Teresa Millum

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14th August 2026

AGENDA

72. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

73. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

74. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

75. COMMUNITY AWARD: To present the Kent Association of Community Councils 2026 award.

76. TO APPROVE FOR SIGNATURE:

- The minutes of the previous month's Parish Council meeting (APPX A).

77. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION – The period designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 10 minutes unless directed by the Chair. A member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. A question shall not require a response at the meeting, nor start a debate on the question. The Chair may direct that a written or oral response be given.

- Police/PCSO.
- Parishioners.
- County/Borough Councillors (it would be appreciated if any reports from Borough or County Councillors could be submitted at least 5 days in advance of the meeting)

78. FINANCE

- Bank Reconciliation:** To approve the reconciliation as of 30th July 2026 (APPX B).
- Budget vs Actual:** To review and approve the report as of 30th July 2026.
- BACS Payments:** To approve the list of accounts presented for payment in August 2026, and note regular payments. To note that only a part payment of £1,875 net has been presented for the SBC CCTV invoice of £3,875, as the remaining £ 2,000 net for 4 x SIM cards has been withheld until a query has been resolved.

Payee	Budget	Description	Gross	VAT	Net	Power	s137
HMRC	Payroll	PAYE	£ 421.98	n/a	£ 421.98	LGA 1972, s.112	
Staff	Expenses	Expenses	£ 36.35	n/a	£ 36.35	LGA 1972, s.112	
Fryer Cleaning & Maint	Centenary Gdns	Maintenance	£ 640.80	£ 106.80	£ 534.00	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10	
J England	Health & Safety	Playstool inspections	£ 75.00	n/a	£ 75.00	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10;	
Kings Commercial	Open Spaces	Toilet cleaning	£ 450.66	n/a	£ 450.66	Public Health Act 1936, ss 221-223, 227	
M Belsom & Son	Other Expenditure	General contingency	£ 1,416.00	£ 236.00	£ 1,180.00	Open Spaces Act 1906, s 15	
Play Safety	Health & Safety	Annual RoSPA Inspection	£ 176.40	£ 29.40	£ 147.00	LGA 1972, s.111	
SBC	Open Spaces	CCTV monitoring	£ 2,250.00	£ 375.00	£ 1,875.00	LGA 1972, s.111	
Steve Wakeling	Open Spaces	Playstool Maintenance	£ 834.00	n/a	£ 834.00		
Total BACS payments			£ 6,301.19	£ 747.20	£ 5,553.99	£ -	£ -
Regular Payments	Budget	Description	Gross	VAT	Net	Power	s137
Staff	Payroll	Staff	£ 1,036.31	n/a	£ 1,036.31	LGA 1972, s.112	
Waveney IT	Office	365 Licence	£ 14.47	£ 2.41	£ 12.06	LGA 1972, s.111	
Waveney IT	Office	IMAP email (monthly)/ set up charge	£ 84.00	£ 14.00	£ 70.00	LGA 1972, s.111	
Hugo Fox	Office	Website	£ 11.99	£ 2.00	£ 9.99	LGA 1972 s 142	
O2	Office	Mobile	£ 15.00	£ 2.50	£ 12.50	LGA 1972, s.111	
EE	Office	Broadband (09 June - 08 July)	£ 23.64	£ 3.94	£ 19.70	LGA 1972, s.111	
Npower	Utilities	Electric - unmetered (01-31May)	£ 104.82	£ 4.99	£ 99.83	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3	
Smartest Energy	Utilities	Electric - Metered supply (01-31 May)	£ 25.50	£ 1.21	£ 24.29	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.3	
Lloyds Bank	Admin	Corporate card fee	£ 178.85	£ 29.30	£ 149.55	See below card information	
Total DD payments			£ 1,494.58	£ 60.35	£ 1,434.23	£ -	£ -
Bank Charges	Unity	Monthly service charge 31/08/26	£ 7.00	n/a	£ 7.00	LGA 1972, s111	

- To consider quotes for a Legionella Risk Assessment of the Playstool toilet.

79. PLANNING MATTERS

- 1) **Application 26/502025/FULL** Planning consultation 26/502025/FULL Light Industrial Unit (Disused) Land Adjacent To Pebble Court Farm Woodgate Lane Borden Kent.
Swale Planning have asked if Borden Parish Council continues to object to this application on the grounds of ecology issues, as the Ecology issues have now been resolved under the 2025 application.
- 2) **Application 25/504201/OUT** Notification of Appeal Lodged with the Planning Inspectorate.
Proposal: Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except access and layout) for the erection of three dwellings, with garaging, associated parking, development and landscaping. Location: Land To The Rear Of Yantlet 14 Barn Close Borden.
The Parish Council objected to this application in November 2025, and is asked to consider if it wishes to modify/withdraw its previous representation.
Comments to the Planning Inspectorate are due by 31st August 2026.

80. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – view on <http://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/>

(Please note that unless otherwise stated, the following applications are a discharge of conditions and not formal consultations for the Parish Council).

- 1) **Application: 26/502562/REM** Address: Grid: 588553/163571 Land at Wises Lane, Borden, Kent ME10 1GD
Proposal: Approval of Reserved Matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale sought) for Phases 5 & 6 pursuant to hybrid permission 17/505711/HYBRID (as amended) for the development of 227 dwellings including affordable housing, together with associated access, parking, landscaping, open space, equipped play and infrastructure. The outline application was an environmental impact assessment application and an environmental statement was submitted to the planning authority at that time.
Consultation comments due by 11th August 2026. An extension has been agreed.
- 2) **Application: 26/502785/SUB** Grid: 588553/163571 Address: Land at Wises Lane, Borden, Kent ME10 1GD
Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 37 - External Works (Phase 3), Subject to APP/V2255/W/19/3233606 (17/505711/HYBRID).
- 3) **Application: 26/502786/SUB** Grid: 588553/163571 Address: Land at Wises Lane, Borden, Kent ME10 1GD
Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 20 Phase 4 -(Construction Management Plan) subject to 17/505711/HYBRID - APPROVED ON APPEAL (APP/V2255/W/19/3233606).
- 4) **Application: 26/502814/FULL** Grid: 587591/163935 Address: Oak Lodge, Chestnut Street, Borden, Kent ME9 8BX
Proposal: Erection of a single-storey rear extension.
- 5) **Application: 26/502924/FULL** Address: High Trees, Maidstone Road, Borden, Kent ME9 7QA Proposal: Erection of a single-storey pitched roof infill extension and single-storey porch extension.
Consultation comments due by 26th August 2026.
- 6) **Application: 26/502741/REM** Location: Land At Ufton Court Farm Tunstall Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1XF
Proposal: Section 73 Application seeking a minor material amendment to approved plans by varying Condition 1 (to permit alterations to the site layout together with the resizing and relocation of the attenuation basins) and Condition 8 (external finishing materials) pursuant to permission 25/501328/REM. The reserved matters approval relates to appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the construction of 290 dwellings, including affordable housing, with associated landscaping, public open space, equipped play provision, earthworks and supporting infrastructure, further, to outline permission 22/505646/OUT.
Consultation comments due by 31st August 2026
- 7) **Application: 26/503012/SUB** Grid: 588553/163571 Address: Land at Wises Lane, Borden, Kent ME10 1GD
Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 10 - (Public Sewer Connection (Phases 3 & 4) subject to 17/505711/HYBRID APPROVED ON APPEAL (APP/V2255/W/19/3233606)

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81. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. **Clerk's report** (attachment 1): To review the report and consider any further actions required.
- b. **Historic paperwork held at the Parish Hall:** Following the completion of the initial records review and relocation of retained documents, a further 14 boxes of historic paperwork have been identified. The Parish Council is asked to consider the most appropriate way to review, sort and manage these records.
- c. **Annual Playstool Inspection:** To review the July 2026 RoSPA inspection report and agree how to progress necessary repairs.
- d. **The Beacon anti-climb paint:** To receive an update and consider whether to rescind the resolution agreed at the July meeting (minute item 66a).
- e. To discuss a bus route through Danaway and Chestnut Street.
- f. **Playstool toilet:** To approve the Legionella risk assessment.

82. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- a. **Wises Lane Monitoring & Liaison Group (WLMG):** To receive a report on updates.
 - i. To consider items for the WLMG to refer to BDW.
- b. **Nature Reserve:**
 - i. **Lease renewal:** To receive a progress update.
 - ii. **Volunteers:** To consider advertising for volunteers to support the Nature Reserve Management Plan.
 - iii. **Cryalls Lane bollard key:** To consider key holders.

83. HIGHWAYS:

- i. To receive an update on the progress of the 40mph scheme through Maidstone Road, Danaway and Oad Street.

84. CORRESPONDENCE - To review correspondence received and consider actions to be taken:

- a. **Residents' Correspondence:** To review and consider any further action required.
- b. **Swale Borough Council Planning Policy (Regulation 19):** To consider submitting comments related to the plan's soundness and legal compliance. The consultation is open from 10th August 2026 until 21st September 2026, via <https://swale-consult.objective.co.uk/kse/>
- c. **Swale Borough Council PSPO Consultation:** To consider completion of surveys for the three towns' current PSPO to be extended for a further 3 years. A formal response has been requested by 4th September 2026.

85. REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES (Reports to be circulated before the meeting).

- a. Kent Association of Local Councils – reports circulated as received.
- b. Borden Sports Association – Cllr Butlin (attachment 2).
- c. Borden Parish Hall – Cllr Harrison (attachment 3).
- d. Borden Heritage Group – Cllr Harrison (attachment 4).

86. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

AUGUST 2026 CLERKS' REPORT FOR PARISH COUNCIL

By Teresa Millum

GENERAL UPDATES

1) **Vacancies:** Councillor vacancy notices have been posted on the website and Facebook page, with a closing date of 8th September 2026.

2) **27/07/26 Pavilion bin update:**

The waste bin at the Pavilion had not been emptied again by Suez, and Swale Borough Council were contacted to request it be emptied immediately, which they have done.

A second bin has been requested at that location due to the location and usage.



3) **The Playstool notice board:** The notice board has been damaged and is going through the insurance process to repair or replace:



4) **Playstool old toilet door**

Vandals have once again damaged the old Playstool toilet door by ripping off the handle. Luckily, the newly installed padlock remained in place.



5) **Playstool toilet -flush & 'not drinking water' signs**

On 23 July, a resident reported that the toilet automatic flush was not working. The facility was locked, and an Out-of-Order notice was displayed until a plumber could attend the next day, when the existing toilet flush was temporarily changed from hands-free to push button.

As the existing hands-free system has required several repairs since the toilet opened, a more robust push-button flush will now be installed.

'Not drinking water' signs have also been added above both sinks:



6) **Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) and Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS):**

Further to the July Highways minute item (63), to help combat speeding traffic on the parish roads, a letter has been sent to KCC Highways requesting support for the installation of six SIDs, in both directions at Oad Street, Chestnut Street and Danaway. In addition, on Wisles Lane between the A2 and Dental Close, the installation of a VAS. Progress on this request will be updated in the Parish Council's future meeting minutes, which are available to view on its website at www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk.



Borden Sports Association



August 2026 monthly report

13th August 2026

There has been an ongoing issue with the public litter bin next to the Pavilion car park.

A new combined litter/dog waste bin was delivered, to replace 2 bins. A request was made for the delivery of 2. The Chair of the Sports Association contacted me with photos of an overflowing bin and asked if the 2nd bin could be chased. On 7th August I was at the Pavilion and the litter bin was in a dreadful state. It was overflowing with dog bags, litter on the ground and covered in flies. The Clerk sent a photo of this to SBC and asked again for it to be emptied. The Chair of the Pavilion is understandably angry about this.

I am pleased to say that the bin was finally emptied and the delivery of the 2nd bin is ongoing.

A post appeared on Facebook from a disgruntled visitor to the Playstool. Litter, comprising of chicken bones, had been left on the lower Playstool. The author blamed the cricketers. I contacted the BSA Chair and Cricket Club Chair who both agreed there was no evidence to prove it was from the cricketers. The CC Chair said his players know not to leave litter and the area is always checked after play.

Cricket

Since last month the Saturday Cricket Team have played the following:-

- 18th July 2026 – Played The Mote at home and won by 90 runs
Borden 198/5, The Mote 108 all out
- 8th August 2026 – Played Teston away, Teston won by 73 runs
Borden 174/9 and Teston 247/

Since last month the Sunday Cricket Team have played the following:-

- 2nd August 2026 – Played Gore Court at home, Gore Court won by 2 wickets
Borden 189 all out, Gore Court 190/8

Matches coming up are

- 23rd August 2026, Borden v. Offham
- 6th September 2026, Selsted v. Borden

If you or know of anyone that is interested in playing cricket, please email bordenc1797@outlook.com

Football

The football season starts on the 15th August 2026, but unfortunately the match against Rochester has been postponed.

Their next game will be on the **18th August 2026** at 6pm at home against FC Anchorians. If you can, please pop along to support the village team.

Cllr Nicola Butlin

Parish Council Representative

BORDEN PARISH HALL

Charity number 291838



*Chairman - Eileen Harrison
Booking Secretary - Val Skinner
Treasurer - Veronique Lees
Facilities Manager - Bernie Lyons*

Report for Borden Parish Council meeting August 2026

Thank you to the Clerk for the time and effort that she has given to clear the Barrow room of BPC/SBC paperwork stored on top of the filing cabinets and working with Bernie to organise the moving of the filing cabinets and their contents to SBC. The removal was organised by volunteers at no cost to BPC.

There are still 14 boxes of BPC paperwork stored in the loft which we hope can be looked at, in the future, to decide where they are best stored or disposed of.

Decoration of the hall is now complete and comprises painting of the Hall, Barrow room, chair/ table store room and a new door on the main store room. The new slightly wider door and rearrangement of sports equipment will hopefully help prevent damage to the wall by hirers when moving equipment.

The new arrangement for storing chairs and tables has been shared with hirers and should improve health and safety issues.

The new turquoise blinds and two tone grey walls give the hall a new modern look.

The Memorial boards and display tray will be reinstalled as soon as possible.

Eileen Harrison

Chairman



BHG report for BPC August 2026

On a warm July Saturday afternoon we took part in the Borden Fete, in the grounds of the Maypole Inn, our display created a great deal of interest and we gained some new members as well as new information and photographs for the BHG website. Our Quoits game proved to be good fun for all age groups and was run by a volunteer group of members who worked a rota throughout the afternoon.

On a hot morning in August we met at The Bell Road Cemetery, we are grateful to Steve Palmer for his very interesting and well planned tour of the Commonwealth War Graves and to hear the stories of some of the 71 men buried there. The tour included stories behind some of these men and an introduction to the formation and work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Steve was kind enough to do a repeat performance of his morning tour in the very hot afternoon to ensure that group numbers were kept at a safe level.

Our next meeting will take place in Borden Parish hall on September 9th when Dr. Paul Staker will tell us 'The History of a Surgery in Sittingbourne' Visitors are welcome, we hope to see you there.

Eileen

BHG Chair

bordenheritage.co.uk

