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Local Government for Langton Green, Speldhurst, Ashurst and Old Groombridge

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF SPELDHURST PARISH COUNCIL: Cllrs Curry (Chair), Rowe (Vice-Chair), Cleaver, Dickens, Ellery, Farley, Leach, Littlefield, Norton, Tarricone and Turner.

You are summoned to attend a **Meeting of the Parish Council** to be held on
Monday 1st December 2025 at 7.00pm at Langton Green Village Hall, Langton Green
for the purpose of transacting the following business.

AGENDA

No decisions will be taken by the Parish Council on any item not on this Agenda

1. TO ENQUIRE IF ANYONE PRESENT INTENDS TO FILM, PHOTOGRAPH AND/OR RECORD THE MEETING

2. TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive disclosure of members' pecuniary or other significant interests, in respect of items on this Agenda in accordance with the Kent Members' Code of Conduct as agreed and accepted by the Parish Council on 6th August 2012.

Members must explain the nature of the interest at the commencement of the agenda item, or when the interest becomes apparent.

4. DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING

5. MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3RD NOVEMBER 2025

To resolve that the minutes, previously forwarded to Members, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

6. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

The Meeting will be adjourned to give members of the public an opportunity to raise with the Council any items of concern or interest.

Members of the public are NOT permitted to participate in the meeting after this agenda item without prior invitation from the Chair. Anyone is welcome to stay for the entire meeting and observe but cannot take part.

7. BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

8. LANGTON GREEN RECREATION GROUND (LGRG)

To receive an update on the Pavilion.

- To receive an update on progress of the Independent Review for the Pavilion.
- To consider extending the current hire agreement for the community hub for a further 6 months to facilitate the review process.
- To consider undertaking a reinstatement valuation (IRV) of the Pavilion.
- To consider the purchase of new equipment for the Pavilion and note the purchase of a new oven as approved by the Finance and Governance Committee.
- To consider a tender website update.

9. CLERK'S REPORT

10. GENERAL MATTERS

Actionable tasks which do not fall to a committee.

11. COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS (WG) AND OTHER REPORTS: TO INCLUDE ANY MEETINGS HELD SINCE THE LAST FULL COUNCIL MEETING, THE DRAFT MINUTES HAVING PREVIOUSLY BEEN FORWARDED TO ALL MEMBERS

- a) **Highways Committee** – Report by Cllr Norton.
- b) **Amenities Committee** – Report by Cllr Turner.
 - To consider authorising a drainage assessment for the flooding at the Recreation Ground.
 - To consider authorising defibrillator servicing.
 - To consider authorising repairs to the playground equipment.
- c) **Environment Working Group (EWG)** – Report by Cllr Turner.
- d) **KALC** – Report by Cllr Curry.

12. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – Report by Cllr Rowe.

Report by the Chair including any Committee Meetings held since the last Full Council meeting, the Minutes having previously been forwarded to all Members.

- a) To note the detailed budget reports.
- b) Report on interim payments made since the last meeting.
- c) To note decisions made under delegated authority.
- d) To consider the approval of the following policies: Co-option, Media, Training and Development, and Video Meeting Policy and Guidelines.
- e) To consider a virement from the grants budget for the purchase of new equipment for the Pavilion.
- f) Precept 2026/27 – To consider confirming the precept amount.
- g) To consider the final pay award for staff for 2025/26.
- h) To consider the staff vacancy, including advertising arrangements, job evaluation and interview panel.

13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To authorise the payment of invoices as listed.

14. UPDATE ON VACANCIES ON THE COUNCIL

To receive an update.

15. SPELDHURST CHAPEL

To receive an update.

16. KALC COMMUNITY AWARDS SCHEME 2026

17. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2026

To consider an appropriate date, location and speaker/subject.

18. PLANNING COMMITTEE – Report by Cllr Curry

Report by the Chair including any Committee Meetings held since the last Full Council meeting, the Minutes having previously been forwarded to all Members.

Planning applications for consideration

- **25/02733/TPO – 8 Gipps Cross Lane, Langton Green**
Proposal: Trees: Oak (T1) - Reduce Canopy by 2.5-3m, remove major deadwood, crown lift to 3m over grass, 5m over highway, remove epicormic growth by 4m, thin crown by 15%. for 0.5-1m clearance over BT Cables
- **25/02614/FULL – Little Snape Furzefield Avenue Speldhurst**
Proposal: (Self-Build) Proposed two-storey dwelling, single-story detached garage & associated landscape alterations; alterations to the garage of the existing house & conversion to utility room
- **25/02365/FULL – 59 Asher Reeds, Langton Green**
Proposal: (Partly Retrospective) Demolition of shed and construction of outbuilding
- To consider sending a letter to the owners of Burrswood raising concerns about the site and surrounding trees.
- To consider a Neighbourhood Plan.

19. TO CONSIDER A PUBLIC STATEMENT FOR THE SPELDHURST PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

20. DIARY DATES

21. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Katie Neve
Parish Council Clerk
25th November 2025