

ARDINGTON AND LOCKINGE PARISH COUNCIL

To *Members of the Council*: you are summoned to attend the **Ardington and Lockinge Parish Council Meeting** on **Tuesday 10th March 2026** at 8pm, in the Loyd Lindsay Rooms, High Street, Ardington, Wantage, OX12 8PS.

Members of the Public: you are very welcome to attend the meeting.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence** - to receive apologies
2. **Requests for Dispensations, Declarations of interest, gifts and hospitality** – to receive any requests for Dispensations, Declarations of Interest from Councillors relating to items on the agenda.
3. **Reports** from a) County Councillor, b) District Councillor.
4. **Neighbourhood Plan** – Update from Chair of Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
5. **Public participation** – to receive questions from members of the public relating to items on the agenda.
6. **Minutes** – to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th January 2026
7. **Update on progress from the previous minutes** – the Clerk/Chairman will report on progress of outstanding items which do not require further decision.
8. **Finance & Governance-** for discussion and approval of the following items:
 - a. **Bank reconciliation** – to review and approve bank reconciliation to 28th February 2026.
 - b. **Invoices for payment or payments made** – to approve payments already made since previous meeting and to consider invoices for payment (please see separate payments file).
 - c. **To note bank account balance at 28th February 2026: £11,427.74**
 - d. **To confirm approval of budget for 2026-27: £24,881.77**
 - e. **To review Risk Assessment**
 - f. **To approve Jane Olds as Internal Auditor for 2025-26**
 - g. **To review A&L IT Policy – Assertion 10 – new for 2025-26 AGAR**
 - h. **To review and adopt Financial Regulations (2025 update) for 2026-27**
 - i. **To review and adopt the Councillor Code of Conduct**
 - j. **To consider signing up to the NALC Civility and Respect Pledge**
 - k. **To consider appointment of Vice-Chair**
11. **Planning Applications** – to consider any recent applications received from the Vale of White Horse District Council and public consultations –
 - a. Planning Appeal Consultation – [P25/V1943/FUL](#) – Upper Farm Cottage, Ginge.
 - b. [P26/V0392/AG](#) – Nevilles Farm – renew two areas of concreting in farmyard. Target decision date 13th March
 - c. [P26/V0025/FUL](#) – Land adjacent to School House Road, Ardington. Erection of a single-storey ancillary annexe. Consultation ends 4th March. Extension granted for PC to respond.
 - d. [P25/V2649/LB](#) – rebuilding of curtilage-listed retaining wall – boundary of Ardington House. Target decision date 5th March. The council supports this application.
 - e. [P25/V2328/HH](#) – replacement of a summer house – Ginge. To consider council’s response to granting of this planning application. Enquiry logged with Vale Planning - PE V0024 26, response received.
12. **Parish Matters**
 - a. Playground – (DM)
 - b. Defibrillators and Street Lights – (DM)
 - c. Footpaths – (TBC)
 - d. Bins and littering – (Clerk)
 - e. Road safety (Clerk) – feedback from OCC Highways visit 26th February
 - f. Bus Shelter Project (JVT)

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g. Feedback following meeting with Lockinge Estate (SR)

14. **Communications – review of outline strategy, MailChimp email newsletter, logo, Canva**

15. **Liaison Sessions**

Date	Title	Details
Tuesday 10 th March 2026 at 1.30pm	Parish Transport Representatives Meeting	Quarterly meeting – online. Update from Cllr Noble

16. **Working Groups and Committees**

Updates from Committees and Working Groups

- Planning Committee – to confirm membership and approve terms of reference
- Staffing Committee – to request additional member, meeting scheduled for June.
- Emergency Plan Working Group – to agree launch date for working group – invite to OCC Resilience Officer to present?
- Potential Community Transport Working Group – to discuss options following OCC Highways visit – [Community First Oxfordshire](#) subscription - £55 per year? Potentially invite to a future meeting.

17. **Training**

Breakthrough Communications: Part 2: Engaging with your community – date in April not yet advertised £35
Chair to sign CiLCA Learning agreement for Clerk

Date	Title	Details
Thursday 12 th March 10am to 11am	SLCC: Civility and Respect: Uncovering the Issues for the Public Sector	Online: £57.50
Thursday 19 th March 10am – 12:30pm	OALC: Addressing the Biodiversity Crisis	Online £55
Tuesday 14 th April 9:30am to 4:30pm	OALC: RPII Routine Inspection Training Course – 1 day – playgrounds and playground safety	Benson £235
Thursday 16 th April 10am to 10:45am	SLCC: Committees, Sub-committees and Working Groups	Online £28.90
Tuesday 16 th of June 6:30pm to 8pm	OALC: Code of Conduct	Online £35
Thursday 25 th June 10am to 3:30pm	OALC: Talking Tables & AGM - Building Thriving Communities: The Evolving Role of Town & Parish Councils	Benson £40

18. **Choice of items from this meeting for inclusion on the website, in the monthly email (Trumpeter), on Facebook and WhatsApp**

19. **Dates of next meetings:** Wednesday 13th May (to include the Annual Parish Meeting). Tuesday 7th July, Tuesday 8th September, Tuesday 10th November

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