

# STOKE PARISH COUNCIL



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I hereby give notice of a meeting of Stoke Parish Council, to be held in the Village Hall, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.00pm, which all members are summoned to attend.

Jenny Allen ~ Clerk

26/02/2025

<b>Part A</b>	Public discussion (not part of the meeting) where any member of the public may discuss any item. No motions may be proposed nor decisions taken, but matters raised by the public may be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
<b>Part B</b>	Public discussion on any <b>agenda</b> items. In line with standing order (3) e members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. This shall take place at this part of the meeting for a maximum of 30 minutes. Following this member of the public are <b>not permitted to speak</b> or to take part in the business of the Parish Council.

<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meetings, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted.
<b>2.</b>	<b>To receive Declarations of Interest and Dispensations</b> To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers. To consider any Dispensation requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting - Appendix A</b> a). To receive and approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2026.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Matters arising from the minutes (not otherwise on the Agenda)</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Vacancies</b> a). To discuss the Parish Council's current outstanding vacancy.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Medway Councillor report</b> a). To receive an update on the most recent Medway Council news from Ward Cllr M. Pearce.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Tasks agreed at the last meeting - Appendix B</b> a). To receive an update on the tasks agreed at the last meeting.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Planning - Appendix C</b> a). Applications. b). Decisions. c). Appeals and Other Matters.

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<b>9.</b>	<b>Finance - Appendix D</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). Bank balances.</li><li>b). To agree the financial performance against the budget for January &amp; February 2026.</li><li>c). Accounts paid since the last meeting to be ratified.</li><li>d). Accounts for payment.</li><li>e). Payment requests to be discussed for approval and payment.</li><li>f). To consider the re-adoption of the Parish Council's Financial Regulations.</li><li>g). To consider the re-adoption of the Parish Council's Financial Risk Assessment.</li></ul>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Management of Land and Property - Appendix E</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). To receive the play park inspection report from the months of January &amp; February 2026 including the cleaning of play equipment for:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i). The Button Drive Playpark (Lower Stoke).</li><li>ii). The Heron Way Playpark (Lower Stoke).</li><li>iii). The Street Playpark (Upper Stoke).</li></ul></li><li>b). Heron Way Play Park Fencing</li><li>c). Lower Stoke Car Park Lease</li></ul>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Highways, Transport &amp; Upkeep</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). Footpaths.</li><li>b). Lighting.</li><li>c). Highways and verges.</li><li>d). Pot holes.</li><li>e). Fly tipping &amp; Street Cleaning.</li><li>f). Grass cutting.</li><li>g). Leaking manhole cover on A228 / Grain Road.</li><li>h). Noticeboards.</li><li>i). Heron Way Play Park repainting</li></ul>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Communications</b> <p>To receive an update on the following methods of communication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). Website.</li><li>b). Social media page.</li></ul>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Internal Committee Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). Neighbourhood Plan.</li><li>b). Stoke Village Hall.</li><li>c). Stoke Community Project.</li></ul>
<b>14.</b>	<b>External Committee Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a). KALC.</li><li>b). Rural Liaison Board</li><li>c). SSE</li></ul>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Contractor Works</b>

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16.	<b>Events</b> a). Christmas 2026
17.	<b>Date of next meeting</b> ~ <i>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2026</i>
18.	<b>Close of meeting</b>