

# CHIDDINGSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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To: The Members of Chiddingstone Parish Council

11<sup>th</sup> May, 2026

**You are required to attend the Chiddingstone Annual Parish Council Meeting  
to be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 7.30pm in Chiddingstone Village Hall**

## AGENDA

### Closed Session:

1. a. Election of Chairman for year 2026/27  
b. To receive Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for year 2026/27

**The Closed Session will be suspended for the Open Session**

### Open Session:

1. To hear reports from County and District Councillors
2. To hear questions from members of the public

### Closed Session:

3. To accept apologies for absence
4. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Non-Pecuniary Interest on matters to be discussed
5. To approve the minutes of the Chiddingstone Parish Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026
6. To discuss meeting dates and venues for Chiddingstone Parish Council meetings
7. Appointment of Committees and representatives to other bodies
8. To confirm that the Parish Council remains eligible to use the General Power of Competence
9. Planning
  - i. To consider planning applications received
  - ii. To report SDC notifications of planning decisions
  - iii. To report planning appeal notifications
  - iv. To discuss potential planning policy breaches in the parish
  - v. To hear update on the Chiddingstone Neighbourhood Plan
  - vi. To hear update on the Chiddingstone Housing Needs Survey
  - vii. To discuss the SDC Draft Local Plan
10. Finance
  - i. To approve 2025/26 Year End Accounts
  - ii. To review the effectiveness of the Parish Council's Internal Control Procedures
  - iii. Audit for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026: To consider and agree Annual Governance Statement 2025/26
  - iv. Audit for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026: To consider and approve Accounting Statements 2025/26
  - v. To discuss the Year End Internal Audit report 2026
  - vi. To approve membership renewal to KALC
  - vii. To approve insurance policy renewal: £596.25
  - viii. To consider application for grant by Chiddingstone School
  - ix. To approve cost of a new planter in Chiddingstone Causeway
  - x. To approve list of payments
11. Affordable Housing
  - i. To hear update regarding the Chiddingstone affordable housing schemes
  - ii. To discuss measures to mitigate flooding in Redleaf Close
12. Highways and Public Rights of Way
  - i. To hear update regarding applications for speed reduction measures in Bough Beech and on Camp Hill
  - ii. To hear update on Chiddingstone SpeedWatch
  - iii. To discuss costs for cleaning roadside signs by a local resident
13. To discuss correspondence received
14. To hear report and discuss Parish Projects, including approval of costs:
  - i. Chiddingstone Carpark
  - ii. Litter Pick, Bulk Refuse Freighter, Flytipping
  - iii. Rural Swathe Cutting Contract
  - iv. Summer Family Fun Play Event
15. Items for reporting or inclusion in future agenda

