



30th Mar 2026

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of Hambledon Parish Council which will be held on Wednesday 8th April 2026 in the Meeting Room at Hambledon Village Hall, West Street, Hambledon, PO7 4RW, commencing at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Yours faithfully

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Agenda for the Meeting of HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ALLOWED ONLY BY INVITATION
OF THE COUNCIL FOR A MAXIMUM OF TEN MINUTES**

- 2943. Acknowledge the sad passing of any villagers since the previous PC meeting.
- 2944. Apologies for absence.
- 2945. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.
- 2946. To consider requests for dispensations.
- 2947. Standing orders suspended for no more than ten minutes, to allow for public question time.
- 2948. Resume standing orders.
- 2949. To receive District Councillor's report (if available) and questions to District Councillor arising from report.
- 2950. To receive County Councillor's report (if available) and questions to County Councillor arising from report.
- 2951. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting of the PC held 02 Mar 2026.
- 2952. Parish Clerk's progress report (for information only).
- 2953. Bank account balance as of 30 Mar 2026 - **£63,342.87** (Cllrs will be provided with bank statement 196 (01 Mar to 31 Mar 2026) as soon as it becomes available.)

2954. Q4 2025-26 Financial Report and Statements

Proposed: that the PC receives and approves the Q4 2025-26 financial report and statements.

2955. Clerk's Working Hours & Contract of Employment

Proposed: that the PC authorises the increase in the Clerk's working hours from 15 to 17 per week, as of 01/04/26, and approves the new/amended employment contract (awaiting HALC advice as to best practice - this will be provided in advance of the meeting).

2956. Changes to the Clerk's Salary Standing Order

Proposed: that, based on the amendments made to the Clerk's working hours in item 2955, above, the PC approves the amendment to the Unity Trust Bank standing order for salary from £993.14 to £1,070.38/calendar month, commencing April 2026.

2957. Grant Applications

Proposed: that the PC considers two applications for grant funding from the Hambledon Village Hall Trust, as follows:

1. Grounds maintenance 2026/27 - £723.00
2. Removal of tree causing damage to flint wall; & repair/repointing of roadside flint wall with lime mortar - £3000.00

2958. Payment of Accounts for Mar 2026:

Payee	Description	Amount (£)	Chq No/BACS Ref
PC			
Mrs J C Tester	Clerk salary Mar 2026	£993.14	Paid by SO 28/03/26
Mrs J C Tester	Clerk o/t Feb & Mar 2026 (amount tbc as soon as y/e tax/NI figures available from HMRC)	£tbc	To be paid by BACS
Mrs J C Tester	Expenses Mar 2026 (travel by car to Newbury for workshop; 2 x journey to Winchester & car-parking for election paper delivery & litter-picking equipment collection/return)	£67.23	To be paid by BACS
NEST	Clerk pension Mar 2026	£81.13	Paid by DD
Hambledon V/H	Hall hire Mar 2026	£32.50	To be paid by BACS
Biffa	Recycling bin collection Mar 2026	£125.34	Paid by DD 22/03/26
JH Tree Services Ltd	Village maintenance Mar 2026	£375.00	Paid by DD 01/04/26
JH Tree Services Ltd	Moss treatment for tarmac area, Village Hall	£324.60	To be paid by BACS
Tennis			
Moritz Flohr	Tennis coaching Mar 2026	£tbc	To be paid by BACS
Alfie Goodwin-Hudson	Tennis coaching Mar 2026	£70.00	To be paid by BACS

2959. Planning Applications

- SDNP/26/01059/TCA - Dovetail Cottage, West Street, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4SN. Remove Eucalyptus tree in rear garden, the tree is an old lapsed pollard, (12 inches DBH) and is dropping heavy limbs, to re pollard would not leave sufficient growth for the tree to survive as it has been left for too long, with all the growth at the very ends of the pollarded branches. Tree location is in rear garden, 20 metres directly behind the house. Remove Lawson Cypress growing directly against south wall, as continued growth will push the wall over. (8 inches DBH). Approx 10 metres from house.

- [Nb. Ref SDNP/26/00395/HOUS & SDNP/26/00396/LIS (Park Farm Barn) - since these were discussed at the Mar 2026 PC meeting, and 'no objection' comments subsequently submitted to the Planning Authority, the PC was informed by the Planning Officer that they had been revised and any new comments needed to be submitted by 27/03/26. Clerk and councillors reviewed the amendment - the retention of a flue which has already been installed. As this represents a relatively minor amendment to the scheme, it was decided that the PC's response would not be altered and therefore it was not prudent to hold a Planning Committee meeting.]

2960. To discuss any planning applications that are received after 30/03/26 and require consideration at this meeting.

2961. Planning Decisions:

- SDNP/25/04866/TCA - Quarry Wood, West Street, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4SN 6x lime trees - crown lift to 5m over the highway, crown reduce all around by 3m and remove basal epicormic growth. [NO OBJECTION]
- SDNP/26/00448/PA14J - Hambledon Vineyard, East Street, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4RY. Installation of roof-mounted PV solar panels on three buildings - 2 pitched roofs and 1 flat roof. [APPLICATION WITHDRAWN]
- SDNP/26/00103/HOUS - Cams Hill Wood, Cams Hill Lane, Hambledon, Hampshire, PO7 4SP. Proposed single storey side extension, alterations to existing conservatory to create new snug, and insertion of roof lights to main pitch roof. [APPROVED]

2962. To receive a report from the Flood Action Group.

2963. To receive a report from the BASS Working Group.

2964. To receive a report from the Tennis Working Group and to discuss succession planning for coaching.

2965. To receive a report from the Hambledon Greening Working Group.

2966. Village Maintenance Contract - Annual Review

Proposed: that councillors agree upon whether any adjustments are required to the schedule of work completed by JH Tree Services Hampshire Ltd under the village maintenance contract (commenced 01/05/25).

2967. Clerk's Pension - Re-enrolment

Proposed: that the PC approves the Clerk submitting a re-declaration of compliance with The Pensions Regulator (under the Pensions Act 2008), with automatic enrolment into the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST) scheme.

2968. Reports & issues (for information only):

- Clerk & Cllr Encke attended the HALC Emergency planning/community resilience event in Newbury 24 March. Summary provided to councillors.
- Cllr Piper attended the SDNPA Parish Meeting (virtual) - 04 March. Summary provided to councillors.
- GBSC event took place 28 March.
- Annual Meeting of the Parish to be held in the Pavilion (VH) 8pm, Thurs 21st May 2026.

2969. Date and place of next meeting (Annual Meeting of the PC & Ordinary May Meeting - Thurs 14th May 2026 at Hambledon VH; 7.30pm).

2970. To exclude members of the public and press from confidential matters to be discussed.