

MILTON ERNEST PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors, I hereby summon you to attend the meeting of MILTON ERNEST PARISH COUNCIL on Thursday, 12th March 2026 commencing at 8:00pm at Milton Ernest Village Hall, Thurleigh Road to consider the following items of business.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WELCOME!

Saqhib Ali Clerk to the Council
7th March 2026

AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies for Absence**
- 2 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**
- 3 *Members of the public are asked to respect the fact that this is a meeting to conduct council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.*
4. **To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th February 2026**
5. **Clerk's report on actions**
For items not included on the agenda.
 - Tender document received- three submitted- one declined
6. **Correspondence received since the last meeting (requiring council attention)**
 - None to update
7. **Finance**
 - **To approve payments and note income and balances**
 - Donation for Every Voice's Charity- £100- already paid
 - Clerk March salary
 - **To agree year end process- Internal Audit and AGAR**
 - **To note the budget variance report- to be circulated**
8. **Village welfare**
 - Playground update
10. **Police Matters**
 - Any update
11. **Reports by Representatives**
 - To receive feedback from the working groups
 - To receive update from the Finance Working Group
 - To receive update on the Biodiversity Plan- and agree to adopt
 - To receive update Environmental Volunteer Group
 - To receive update from the NDP Working Group- update post Sally Chapman meeting – and to agree potential spend. Discussions with Thurleigh PC Chair.
 - To receive update from the Events Committee
12. **Parish Events**
 - Future events
13. **Planning matters**

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- To consider any planning applications received since the last meeting – includes any received after the agenda is issued up to the date of the meeting.

To note any planning applications decided by the Borough Council since the last meeting.

Any Enforcement Officer update re Maltings, or that of the neighbouring property- Cllr Dipple.

14. **Borough Councillor Report**

To receive a report from Borough Councillor Martin Towler- to circulate if received

15. **Parish Council Updates**

- Highway Issues
- Litter Picker contract- update- to be considered under closed HR session
- Update on Parish Councillor Recruitment- one enquiry form sent, two vacancies exist
- Discussion of Tender for grass cutting and selection
- Proposal for Harry Robson memorial
- PC Surgery update held 25/2/26

16. To adopt Model NALC 2025 Standing Orders and Financial regulations- to be circulated

Public Open Session (15 Minutes)

During the Public Open Session: Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicized on the agenda; items not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response at a later date. Any questions not presented to the council far enough in advance of the meeting may be noted and responded to at a later time.

Business for future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)

Date of the next Parish Council meeting: 8pm Thursday 9th April 2026 Milton Ernest Village Hall.

To consider moving to a closed session and exclude members of the public and press to discuss separate business, pursuant to s1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that the business to be transacted is confidential It was resolved to move this item to a closed session due to the confidential nature of the business

Closed session

HR Matters

- Clerk Pension & Probation period -post review update
- Litter picker contract review plan- plan forwards