

**You are hereby summoned to a meeting of
HAWKWELL PARISH COUNCIL
to be held on
Monday 3rd March 2025
at Rochford Day Centre, 33A Back Lane, Rochford
commencing at 7.30 pm**

Please note that under the Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12 paragraph 10 (2) (b), the Council cannot lawfully decide any matter that is not specified on the agenda. Should you require additional information on any agenda item please advise the Clerk by 1pm on the working day preceding the meeting.

AGENDA

- 1) **To receive apologies for non-attendance at meeting (For Noting)**
- 2) **Declarations of any:**
 - a) **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**
 - b) **Other Registerable Interest****on any matter on the agenda for 3rd March 2025**

Members are reminded they must, within 28 days of becoming aware of any new, or change in their Register of Members' Interests, provide written notification thereof to the Clerk of Hawkwell Parish Council.
- 3) **Public Participation Session: A maximum of 2 minutes per speaker will be permitted**
 - a) **Public Forum**
 - b) **Information Reports from District & County Councillors (For Information)**
- 4) **To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of Hawkwell Parish Council held on 10th February 2025 and to destroy the notes in respect of that meeting (For Decision)**
- 5) **Co-option Interview: Paperwork attached (For Decision at Agenda item 17.)**
- 6) **Financial Report - February 2025 (For Information)**
- 7) **Action List Update – March 2025 (For Noting)**
- 8) **Non-Attendance by Councillor for six months – paper attached (For Decision)**
- 9) **Consider paying Councillor Allowances – Clerk's Report (For Decision)**
- 10) **Freight House – Updates from RDC (For Discussion)**
 - a) **News Release: Seeking Expressions of Interest for interim operation of the Freight House**
 - b) **Budget 2025/26: references the Freight House & the long-term Capital Programme**
- 11) **English Devolution White Paper – Updates (For Information/Discussion)**
 - a) **RDC Full Council Paper (February 2025) – Devolution & Local Government Re-organisation**
 - b) **RDC Extraordinary Meeting 11.2.25: The following Motion was carried (For - 16, Against - 15, Abstentions - 4 'This Council commits to write to the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution, to confirm that it does not support Labour's English Devolution White Paper issued on 16th December 2024.'**

12) Private Security Patrols – February Report (For Noting)

13) Correspondence: March 2025 - Email sent 26-2-25 (For Discussion/Noting)

14) Representative Reports

Rochford Old People's Welfare Committee – Cllrs S May (1 vacancy)

Rochford Hundred Ass. of Local Councils – Cllr S May/Cllr L Fane (1 vacancy)

Hawkwell Village Hall – Cllr Mrs M Weir/Cllr T Hargrave

Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall MC – (No representatives)

Public Transport Liaison Group – 1 vacancy

Robert Sudbury Charity – Cllrs Mrs Weir/S May

Information Reports -

Community Meetings – 2 vacancies

15) Receive Committee/Working Party Reports since last meeting:

Planning Committee:

Note Minutes of Meeting held on 10th February 2025

Parks Committee:

Note Minutes of Meeting held on 10th February 2025

Finance Committee:

Note Minutes of Meeting held on 10th February 2025

16) Payment of Accounts

Clerk reports that the following accounts have been paid since the last meeting (February Payments attached) and seeks approval to pay any accounts due before the next meeting.

Resolution within Standing Order 3d "that in view of the confidential and special nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw". Standing Order 11 and 19f also apply.

17) Post-interview Co-option Discussion (For Decision)

26th February 2025
Clerk to the Council