

**You are hereby summoned to the
Annual Meeting of
HAWKWELL PARISH COUNCIL
to be held on Monday 12th May 2025
in the 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) Election of Chair for the Civic Year 2025-26 & execute the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for Chair of the Council (For Decision/Action)

2) Election of Vice-Chair for the Civic Year 2025-26 (For Decision)

3) Update of Register of Members' Interest/General Notice of Registrable Interests (For Action)

Members have been given a copy of their current register with the agenda papers and are asked to complete a new register using the new blank form included. These should be signed by Members after Agenda item 8. and left on the table at the end of the meeting for the Clerk to collect.

4) To receive apologies for non-attendance at meeting (For Noting)

5) Declarations of any

a. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

b. Other Registrable Interests

on any matter on the agenda for 12th May 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.

6) Governance – Review of Key Documents (For Decision)

a) Adoption of Standing Orders 2025 (Updated version attached)

b) Adoption of Financial Regulations 2025 (Updated version attached)

7) Agree Committee & Working Group Structure and appointment of Members: List of last year's Committees and Members attached 'Appendix I' (For Decision)

a) Finance Committee (9)

b) General Purposes Committee (12)

c) Planning Committee (9)

d) Parks, Open Spaces, Conservation & Footpaths Committee (12)

e) Personnel Committee (9)

f) Health & Safety Sub-Committee (6)

g) Policy Committee (9)

h) Christmas Parcels Working Group (reports to General Purposes)

i) Newsletter Working Group: Chairs of Committees (reports to Full Council)

j) Social Media Working Group (reports to Full Council)

k) Climate Change Working Group (reports to Full Council)

l) Eco-Audit Working Group (reports to Full Council)

NB: Chair and Vice-Chair are members of all Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups Ex-Officio unless appointed as a full member at the Annual Meeting (see Standing Order 4(d))

8) Appoint representatives to outside bodies: List of last year's representatives attached 'Appendix II' (For Decision)

Rochford Old Peoples Welfare Committee (2)
Rochford Hundred Ass. of Local Councils (3)
Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall MC (1)
Hawkwell Village Hall Committee (2)
Public Transport Liaison Group (1)
Robert Sudbury Trust (2) - Administered by Hawkwell Parish Council
Community Meetings (2)

9) Receive draft and unaudited Income & Expenditure Accounts for 2024-25 (For Information)

10) Set a date for the inspection of Investments, Leases and Asset Register/Inventory etc and agree examining Officers (For Decision)

11) To accept the Record of Attendance for preceding year (For Decision)

12) Receive dates of Full Council and Committee Meetings for 2025-26 (For Decision)

13) 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)

14) To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Hawkwell Parish Council meeting held on 7th April 2025 and to destroy the notes in respect of that meeting (For Decision)

15) Financial Report (April 2025) (For Information)

16) Action List Update (May 2025) (For Information)

17) Private Security Patrols (For Decision)

a) Patrol Reports - attached

18) Receive and Note the Internal Audit Report (Final) for 2024-25 (For Noting)

19) Freight House: RDC Report 'Freight House Meanwhile Use' (For Information)

20) Local Government Reorganisation/Devolution (For Information/Discussion)

a) Slides & Letter following the Parish/District Council event held on 22.4.25

b) Email from RHALC following their meeting on 17.4.25: Community Asset Register

21) E-mail from resident re. Container outside Emmanuel Church, Hawkwell (For Information)

22) EALC Fees 2025/26 (For Decision)

23) Correspondence (For Information)

24) Receive Committee Reports since last meeting (For Noting/Decision)

Planning Committee

Note Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 7th April 2025.

Parks Committee

Note Minutes of the Parks Committee held on the 7th April 2025.

Finance Committee

Note Minutes of the Finance Committee held on 7th April 2025

25) Representatives Reports

Rochford Old Peoples Welfare Committee – Cllr S May

Rochford Hundred Association of Local Councils (RHALC) – Cllrs S May/L Fane

Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall MC- No Representative(s).

Hawkwell Village Hall – Cllrs Mrs M Weir/T Hargrave

Public Transport Liaison Group – No Representative.

Robert Sudbury Trust – Cllrs Mrs Weir/Cllr S May

Information Reports

Community Meetings – No Representative.

26) Payment of Accounts (For Decision)

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

7th May 2025
Clerk to the Council