



DITCHLING PARISH COUNCIL

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17th February 2026

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to the Ditchling Parish Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 7.00pm at Ditchling Village Hall, Ditchling.

Public Participation - there will be a period of 15 minutes set aside at the beginning of the meeting for the public to ask questions or make comments on items on the agenda only. Comments on items not appearing on the agenda can only be made at the chairman's discretion. Once the meeting is in session there will be no further public participation.

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**Tracey Euesden
Clerk to the Council**

1.	Public Participation.
2.	Apologies for absence
3.	Declarations of interest.
4.	To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 27 th January 2026
5.	Actions from previous minutes
6.	Clerks Report & Correspondence received.
7.	7.1 Local Governance Review - Update invited from District Councillor Paul Mellor. 7.2 Lewes District Council – Asset Devolution – Latest information
8.	Planning - for full details of planning applications listed below please go to https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning-applications/ or https://www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control 8.1 SDNP/25/04278/LIS – 6 Church Lane. Removal of internal blocked doorway at ground floor level to bring 4 and 6 Church Lane together. 8.2 SDNP/15/05138/HOUS & SDNP/25/05139/LIS – 28 High Street. Two storey rear extension with internal and fenestration alterations. 8.3 SDNP/26/00398/FUL - Oakmill Barn. Conversion of roof space of barn to form permanent rural workers dwelling in connection with equine rehabilitation business. 8.4 SDNP/26/00678/TPO - 5 Emmett Gardens. T12 Ash – Remove dead limbs and carry out 20% crown reduction. Any applications received since publication of the agenda will be circulated by email and added to the Clerk's report.
9.	Streetlights

	9.1 Damaged Column on Farm Lane – Update and to consider insurance claim for replacement column and lantern.
10.	Finance. 10.1 To approve schedule of payments for February 2026 (plus any additional invoices to be noted at the meeting). 10.2 To receive bank reconciliations for January 2026
11.	Recreation Ground & Burial Ground. 11.1 Update on Play Equipment Installation.
12.	Ditchling Community Land Trust (CLT) 12.1 Update from Cllr Orme.
13.	The Monday Group 13.1 To suggest projects for consideration.
14.	Annual Meeting of the Parish 6 th May 2026 14.1 To discuss content and preparation for meeting.
15.	Traffic 15.1 Safe Places to Cross - To consider proposals from Cllr Stapleton to commission detailed designs and plans for crossing points at various locations in the village and to assign a budget for the project.
16.	Financial Regulations 16.1 To consider temporary suspension of Financial Regulation 5.8 in order to appoint Wilbar Associates to carry out the design work detailed in agenda item 15.1.
17.	Next Meeting Date. 24 th March 2026 To include a presentation by Trevor Leggo CEO, ESALC) on Local Government Reorganisation and its effect on Parish and Town Councils
18.	<i>CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - Under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public will be excluded from the following items on the grounds that the confidential matters to be discussed under item 112 below would be prejudicial in the public interest.</i> 18.1 Ditchling Gardens – To consider next steps following removal of the property from the market and to Agree new Terms of Reference for Ditchling Gardens Working Party.

Supporting documents can be found here [Feb 2026](#)