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4 July 2025

An **Ordinary Meeting of Findern Parish Council** will be held at Findern Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern on **Thursday, 10 July 2025 at 7.00pm.**

PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

Kate Sharpe
Clerk/RFO to Findern Parish Council

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies of absence and requests for dispensation
2. Declaration of Members Interests
   Members must ensure that they complete the Declarations of Interest column on the signing in sheet, prior to the start of the meeting. This enables Members to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary or other interests they have in the subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.
3. Public Representation (15 minutes)
   - 3.1 At the start of the meeting a period of not more than fifteen minutes will be made available for members of the public and members of the Council to comment on any matter already on the Agenda. Individuals may speak for no more than five minutes. This time period may be extended at the Chairman's discretion.
   - 3.2 If the Police Liaison Officer, a County Council or District Council Member is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter. Members of the Council however, will restrict Police matters they raise to those relating to their Council Ward
   - 3.3 Members who have declared a pecuniary interest but wish to make representation or give evidence under the Code of Conduct relating to Agenda items shall do so at this stage.
4. Issues/requests highlighted by email or via website contact
   - 4.1 Unreliability of the V3 bus service
   - 4.2 Report weeds growing on roads and pavements on Highfields
   - 4.3 Noisy manhole cover on Beeston Drive, Highfields
5. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 June 2025
6. To determine any variation of the Order of Business
7. To determine which items, if any, of the Agenda should be taken with the press and public excluded.
8. Chairman's Report
9. Report of the Parish Clerk
   - 9.1 Stanhope Wood/ Severn Trent update
   - 9.2 AGAR submitted for External Audit; Notices published.
   - 9.3 Response from SDDC re. overgrown cemetery

10. Members' Reports
    - 10.1 Findern in Relief Fund update - Councillor G Cooke
    - 10.2 Stanhope Wood update - Councillor H Hettmann
    - 10.3 Local / Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish - Councillor T Brown
    - 10.4 Warm Welcome Club - Councillor T Brown
    - 10.5 Vehicle Activated Signage Units - Councillor S Holmes
11. Matters for discussion or determination
    - 11.1 Party in the Park 5 July 2025 Review
    - 11.2 Findern Village Hall Fete 12 July 2025 – PC support
    - 11.3 Highfields Sports Pitch and Public Open Space
    - 11.4 Improvements on The Green
        - Tree works quote
        - Village sign refurbishment
        - Replacement benches
        - Street Signage
        - Replacing Posts
        - Moving bins
    - 11.5 Christmas Event at Highfields – Marquee/Grotto and Entertainment
    - 11.6 Electric supply for Highfields Christmas Tree – Deed of Easement and GTC-UK quote
    - 11.7 Storage of FINDERN letters
    - 11.8 Windows 11 laptop for Clerk – costs
    - 11.9 Autumn Newsletter – what to include?
12. Planning Matters
    - 12.1 Consultations
        None.
    - 13.2 Decisions
        None.
13. Finance
    - 13.1 Items for Payment
    - 13.2 Income to note
    - 13.3 Bank Account Reconciliation Report/Budget Monitoring Reports to 30 June 2025
14. Correspondence
    - 14.1 Derbyshire Association Local Councils June Newsletter – forwarded 19/06
    - 14.2 SDDC One Derbyshire Two Councils - Derbyshire local government reorganisation - public consultation open – forwarded 01/07
    - 14.3 Details of Local Government Re-organisation Consultation from Councillor Hudson – forwarded 02/07
15. Reports from Councillors attending meetings of outside bodies
16. Date of the next meeting
    The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at **7.00pm on Thursday, 11 September 2025**, at the **Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern, DE65 6AD**. Note - there is no meeting in August.
17. Exclusion of press and public
    If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms: - 'That in view of the nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw'.
18. Exempt item(s)
    - 18.1 Matter relating to Burton Road land