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6 February 2026

An **Ordinary Meeting of Findern Parish Council**, will be held at Findern Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern on **Thursday, 12 February 2026 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. Where a Member indicates they have a pecuniary or other interest but wish to make representation regarding the item before leaving the meeting, those representations must be made under item c) below. (If the item to which representations or comments were made by a Member is on the Agenda the Member must declare that interest again and withdraws from the meeting during consideration of that item).
   - 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. Response to emails from residents
   - 4.1 Rubbish being deposited on the island of the junction on the A38 Findern
   - 4.2 A resident of Highfields raising concern about rubbish in play area, weeds on pavements and roads, gully cleaning and road markings at Rykneld Road junction.
5. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 January 2026
6. To determine any variation of the Order of Business

7. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded
8. Chairman's Report
9. Report of the Parish Clerk
   - 9.1 Confirmation of Summer activity sessions.
   - 9.2 Website and email compliance
   - 9.3 6 Plantscape 3-tier planters ordered for Highfields and permissions sought
   - 9.4 Flooding on Buckford Lane – DCC Response
   - 9.5 Installation of new cesspit at Findern Primary School
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
   - 10.6 Porters Lane development - Councillor Ratcliffe
11. Matters for discussion or determination
   - 11.1 To consider the request for Parish Council's support re. Road Survey
   - 11.2 Community Governance Review: agree extent and consider petition for signatures
   - 11.3 Improvements at Cemetery
   - 11.4 Quotes to replace posts on The Green
   - 11.5 Quotes for Grounds Maintenance 3-year contract
   - 11.6 Quote for flower displays in Findern
   - 11.7 Quotes for replacement windows at the Parish Rooms
   - 11.8 Items for Newsletter incl. suggestion of sponsorship through adverts
   - 11.9 Easter Event for the Parish
   - 11.10 Sponsorship of Party in the Park, incl. possible stalls
   - 11.11 Party in the Park: quotes for: -
     - Sound & technician
     - Toilets
     - Marquee
   - 11.12 Request for permission to photograph at Stanhope Woods and use commercially
   - 11.13 Request from Village Hall for funding support for Village Fete
12. Planning Matters
   - 12.1 Consultations
     - **Ref. No. DMPA/2025/1501 12, Wallfields Close, Findern**
       Two storey extension to the rear and side of the property
   - 11.2 Decisions
     - **Ref. No. DMPN/2025/1559 18 Penrith Drive, Highfields**
       Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed rear extension.
       Approved (Delegated Decision)
     - **Ref. No. DMOT/2025/1300 Farm House, Porters Lane, Findern**
       The approval of details reserved by condition 7 (Biodiversity Enhancement Plan) relating to planning permission ref. DMPA/2024/0246
       Approved (Delegated Decision)
13. Finance
   - 13.1 Items for Payment
   - 13.2 Income to note
   - 13.3 Bank Account Reconciliation Report/Budget Monitoring Reports to 31 January 2026

14. Correspondence
    14.1 SDDC Details of Housing Roadshow – forwarded 23/1
    14.2 SDDC Details of Planning Dept. Parish Council Forum on 28/2 – forwarded 26/1
    14.3 DALC February Newsletter – forwarded 3/2
    14.4 Derbyshire Local Government Reorganisation Consultation – forwarded 5/2
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, 12 March 2026**, at the **Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern, DE65 6AD**.
17. Exclusion of press and public
    Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Members may resolve that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.
18. Exempt item(s)
    18.1 Parish Rooms Lease
    18.2 Burton Road Lease