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2 April 2026

An **Ordinary Meeting of Findern Parish Council** will be held at Findern Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern on **Thursday, 9 April 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 Community Planting of bulbs at Highfields
5. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 March 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 Update (if any) on items raised at previous meetings

- Fallen tree at Doles Brook
- Brook Close parking letter
- Litter at A38 Roundabout
- Porters Lane road condition
- Porters Lane parking issue
- Archway development parking issue
- Hillside property
- Untaxed and uninsured cars around the village
- ASB at Mackworth Avenue car park
- Stafford Drive drains

9.2 Access to .gov.uk email addresses

9.3 Vacancy on Council

9.4 Annual Meeting of the Parish – Thursday, 23 April 6.30pm

9.5 Work to replace posts and benches on The Green

9.6 Community Governance Review

9.7 Flooding on Buckford Lane – DCC Response

9.8 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 T Brown

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 SDDC Planning response on replacement windows at the Parish Rooms

11.2 Party in the Park – 11 July 2026 6pm – 10.30pm

- Discussion on type of marquee
- Raffle to support Council's charity

11.3 Disposal of Marquee in Container/ Hire of Skip

11.4 Small Community Grant request – Vibe Running Club

12. Licensing Matters

12.1 **Notice of Application for new Premises Licence**

Alcohol and Recorded & Live Music at Find Café, Lower Green, Findern.

13. Planning Matters

13.1 Consultations

- **Ref. No. DMPA/2026/0300 Local Centre, Unit B , Tutbury Avenue, Highfields**
Erection of new staff room in car park.
- **Ref. No. DMPA/2026/0335 Mercia Marina, Findern Lane, Willington**
Outline application (matters of access to be considered now with matters of layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved for later consideration) for the siting of x17 holiday lodges with associated works including parking and landscaping.

13.2 Decisions

- **Ref. No. DMPA/2026/0129 38, Burton Road, Findern**
The erection of an outbuilding.
Approved (Delegated Decision)

- **Ref. No. DMPA/2026/0013 5, Hawthorn Crescent, Findern**

The demolition of the existing single storey side extension and the erection of a two storey side extension.

Approved (Delegated Decision)

14. Finance

14.1 Items for Payment

14.2 Income to note

14.3 Bank Account Reconciliation Report/Budget Monitoring Reports to 31 March 2026

15. Correspondence

15.1 SDDC Updating of Councillors DPI Forms – forwarded 25/3

15.2 Chesterfield to Willington Nation Grid Upgrade Parish Council Online Briefing on 22 April 6-7pm – forwarded 1/4

15.3 SDDC Civic Council Invitation 21 May 2026 – forwarded 1/4

16. Reports from Councillors attending meetings of outside bodies

Site meeting with Greenbelt representatives on 19 March 2026

17. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at **7.00pm on Thursday, 14 May 2026**, at the **Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern, DE65 6AD**.

18. 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.

19. Exempt item(s)

19.1 Parish Rooms

19.2 Staff matter