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2 July 2026

An **Ordinary Meeting of Findern Parish Council** will be held at Findern Methodist Church, Lower Green, Findern on **Thursday, 9 July 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 Collapsed Bridge on Highfields between Bolton way and Public Open Space.

5. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11 June 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
 - Heath Lane signage
 - Stafford Drive drains
 - Road markings on Highfields
 - Sports Pitch at Highfields
 - Cars parking on pavement outside properties on Castle Hill
 - SDDC response to query on cardboard collections
 - 9.2 Remembrance Garden Maintenance
 - 9.3 Highfields Planters installed
 - 9.4 Feeder Pillar installation at Highfields
 - 9.5 Use of Service Management Company at Highfields Team Call with MP's office
 - 9.6 Flooding on Buckford Lane – DCC Response & Installation of new cesspit at 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
 - 10.7 Highfields Ecology Improvement Report / Improvement Proposals – Councillor Yasmin Carty
11. Matters for discussion or determination
 - 11.1 Party in the Park – 11 July 2026 6pm – 10.30pm
 - 11.2 Community Governance Review
 - 11.3 Transport Report – Support from Parish Council to submit to Highways at DCC
 - 11.4 Winter planting from Plantscape for Highfields
 - 11.5 Replacement of Goal Posts at KGV
 - 11.6 Painting at KGV quotes
 - 11.7 Christmas Light Switch-On event for Findern
12. Planning Matters
 - 12.1 Consultations
 - a) **Ref. No. DMPA/2025/1693** at 130 Heath Lane, (Heathland Grove), Findern
Notification of amendment to planning application. Retrospective application for eight storage containers, single storey rear extension to Heathland Grove and a new outbuilding
 - 12.2 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 2026

14. Correspondence

- 14.1 From P Price: Traffic report for parish councillor consultation – forwarded 10/06
- 14.2 Chesterfield to Willington – Stage 2 consultation update and next steps – forwarded 11/06
- 14.3 Castle Way Energy - EIA Scoping and Consultation – forwarded 18/06
- 14.4 Cllr. Ian Hudson re. Castle Way Energy – Launch of Phase 1 Engagement – forwarded 18/06
- 14.5 From P Price: Information on development proposed off Staker Lane – forwarded 26/06
- 14.6 East Midlands Freeport's first public Board meeting – forwarded 26/06
- 14.7 Toyota Community Liaison Committee on Thursday 2 July 2026 – forwarded 26/06

15. Reports from Councillors attending meetings of outside bodies

Toyota Community Liaison Committee on Thursday 2 July 2026 – Councillor Brown

16. Date of the next meeting

Please note there is no meeting in August. The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.00pm on Thursday, 10 September 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 Matter relating to Parish Rooms.
- 18.2 Matter relating to Burton Road land.