

Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council

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Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend the forthcoming meeting of Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council to be held on

8th. April 2026 at 6.30pm in the village Hall

for the purpose of transacting the business ONLY shown on the agenda

K. Andrews – Parish Clerk to the Council – 1st. April 2026

The Press and Public are welcome to attend

FULL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

052/2026 Apologies for Absence

053/2026 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or Non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda

054/2026 Dispensations

To consider member's applications for dispensations.

055/2026 To approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting of Asheldham & Dengie PC

To receive and agree the minutes of the extraordinary A&DPC meeting held on 2nd. March 2026

056/2026 Questions from the Press and Public –

(This session will not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public and press to speak about items on the agenda and to raise other issues.

057/2026 Councillor Vacancy

Following the resignation of Cllr Russell, Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council are awaiting to fill the casual vacancy by co-option process. The Clerk to update the council of the process and resolve to continue with the next stage of co-option.

058/2026 District Councillor Report - Matthew Neall

059/2026 ARG Report – Colin Cooper

060/2026 Village Hall Report – Lyn Moull

061/2026 Locality Funding

To resolve to receive an update regarding the locality funding projects and purchases.

062/2026 Village Gateway Signs

To resolve to receive an update regarding the installation of Village Gateway Signs in Asheldham.

063/2026 British Solar Renewables - Dengie Solar Park

To resolve to receive an update from the Clerk regarding the Community Benefit Fund set up with the Essex Community Foundation for Dengie Solar Park and the response received from the letter sent by councillors.

To resolve to discuss sending a further letter to BSR regarding the community fund value.

064/2026 Planning – including any Current Planning Applications requiring a response

1) Dengie Manor application MDC Ref. 25/00012. The Parish Council to raise concerns with MDC Planning as to how this application was past when it seems to the Parish Council that it did not satisfy section Q.

To resolve to receive an update regarding the Teams meeting requested with Maldon District Council Planning Officers.

- 2) To resolve to discuss the ongoing scrap yard activity in Asheldham and the failure of Maldon District Council to enforce the related planning refusal.
To resolve to consider writing to Maldon District Council
- 3) Applications received from Maldon District Council. To respond as a consultee.

26/00163/AGR

Prior notification for a proposed agricultural straw and hay store.

Land South East Of Dengie Crops, Hall Road, Asheldham

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Planning Decision/s made by MDC affecting Asheldham & Dengie

Decisions

None.

Appeals

None.

065/2026 Asheldham Brook Bridge

- 1) To resolve to receive an update on the Asheldham Brook Bridge report from Essex County Council Highways
- 2) To resolve to receive an update regarding the necessary actions agreed at the 1st September Council meeting to maintain and make Asheldham Brook Bridge safer.

066/2026 Biodiversity duty

Under the Environment Act 2021, parish councils have a legal biodiversity duty to actively conserve and enhance local biodiversity. As part of this duty the parish council must adopt a Biodiversity Duty Policy.

To resolve to consider the adoption of the proposed policy.

To resolve to discuss the actions that Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council will take to conserve and enhance the local biodiversity.

067/2026 Vegetation Opposite Sandlings

- 1) To resolve to discuss the vegetation opposite Sandlings and any actions required.

068/2026 Parish Gully Pipes and Drains

To resolve to discuss the concerns regarding the parish gulleys, pipes and drains and discuss any actions required.

069/2026 HIGHWAYS

- 1) **Reporting matters to Essex County Council (ECC) Highways.**

Members of the public and Asheldham & Dengie Parish councillors are encouraged to report highway defects online at www.essex.gov.uk.

For up-to-date local road closures see www.roadworks.org or Causeway one.network

070/2026 Questions from the Press and Public – Second Session

(This session should not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues. Code of Conduct consistent with “Nolan Principles” set out in Appendix 1 and the provisions of S29(1) Localism Act 2011.

071/2026 Finance

- 1) To receive the Bank Reconciliations as at 31st. March 2026.
- 2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2025/26
- 3) To approve the payment of Accounts for April 2026 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements.

072/2026 NOTICES, MEETINGS AND TRAINING COURSES.

Reminder - EALC Training courses booked for Councillors and Clerk. The EALC training calendar has been circulated to councillors and can be found by visiting <https://ealc.gov.uk/training-calendar/>

To receive reports from external meetings, outside bodies and future meetings.

Councillor Training Days 1 & 2 – Tuesday 3rd & 10th March – Cllr G. Chandler to report

Dengie Climate Action Partnership – Thursday 28th May – Tillingham Village Hall

073/2026 Items for the Next Agenda

074/2026 Date of Next Full Council Meeting – Wednesday 6th. May 2026 at 6.30pm

This meeting will also include the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Assembly.

075/2026 Closure of the Meeting

To Close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business.