

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

1st. June 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 – 26th. May 2026

The Press and Public are welcome to attend

FULL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

104/2026 WELCOME to the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council Meeting of 1 June 2026.

A reminder to everyone in attendance and who will be participating in the meeting that they may be filmed, recorded, photographed, or otherwise reported about.

105/2026 Apologies for Absence

106/2026 Declaration of Interest

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

107/2026 Dispensations

To consider member's applications for dispensations.

108/2026 To approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting of Asheldham & Dengie PC

- a) To receive and agree the minutes of the A&DPC Annual Parish Assembly held on 6th. May 2026
- b) To receive and agree the minutes of the A&DPC Annual General Meeting held on 6th May 2026

109/2026 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.

110/2026 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.

111/2026 District Councillor Report - Matthew Neall

112/2026 ARG Report – Colin Cooper

113/2026 Village Hall Report – Lyn Moull

114/2026 Village Gateway Signs

- a) To resolve to receive an update regarding the installation of Village Gateway Signs in Asheldham.
- b) To resolve to consider the options of 30mph signage for the Village Gateway.
- c) To resolve to consider the purchase and installation of a Speed Indicator Device (SID) for Asheldham

115/2026 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.

116/2026 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.

None

Planning Decision/s made by MDC affecting Asheldham & Dengie

Decisions

None.

Appeals

None.

0117/2026 Asheldham Brook Bridge

- 1) To resolve to receive an update on the Asheldham Brook Bridge report from Essex County Council Highways

0118/2026 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.

0120/2026 Parish Gulley Pipes and Drains

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

0121/2026 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

- 2) To resolve to discuss the junction of Hall Road and Southminster Road and any actions required.
- 3) To resolve to consider the installation of a Speed Indicator Device in Asheldham

0122/2026 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.

0123/2026 Finance

- 1) To receive the Bank Reconciliations as at 31st. May 2026.
- 2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2025/26
- 3) To approve the payment of Accounts for June 2026 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council’s financial requirements.
- 4) To resolve to approve a resolution for the Council to apply for a Barclays Business Debit Card for use by the Clerk and RFO, Kelly Andrews, for approved council expenditure and to authorise the Chair, Cllr L. Brown and the Clerk to sign the application forms and agree to the bank’s business terms.

0124/2026 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2025/26 PART 3 (AGAR) ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2020/21

- a) To receive the Internal Auditors annual written report and completion of page 3 of the AGAR.
- b) To consider any points raised by the internal auditor and actions required to rectify them.

0125/2026 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2025/26 PART 3 (AGAR)**Section 1 - ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2025/26**

Members had been issued with a copy of the AGAR. To resolve to approve the Annual Governance Statement.

0126/2026 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2025/26 PART 3 (AGAR)**Section 2 - ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2025/26**

Members had been issued with a copy of the AGAR

To resolve that members considered the Accounting Statements at the meeting.

To resolve that the Accounting Statements be approved

To resolve and to ensure that the Accounting Statements are signed and dated by the Chairman.

0127/2026 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2025/2026 CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FORM 2

a) To resolve to consider and approve that the council meets the criteria for exemption from a limited assurance review for the financial year ending 31st March 2026.

b) To resolve to approve the Certificate of Exemption and to ensure that Form 2 is signed and dated by the Chair.

0128/2026 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.

0129/2026 Items for the Next Agenda**0130/2026 Date of Next Full Council Meeting – Monday 6th. July 2026 at 6.30pm****0131/2026 Closure of the Meeting**

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