

GOSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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13TH OCTOBER 2026

DEAR COUNCILLOR

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE FORTHCOMING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF GOSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON **MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2026** IN THE PAVILION, CHURCH ROAD, GOSFIELD, AT **7.15PM** FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSACTING THE BUSINESS SHOWN IN THE AGENDA.

THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE WELCOME TO BE PRESENT.

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PARISH CLERK

AGENDA

ITEM	PRESENTER	SUBJECT	STATUS
26/213	Chairman	Welcome and Apologies for Absence. Members are reminded that the LGA1972, s85 states that apologies must be received prior to a meeting.	Decision
26/214	All Members	Declaration of Interests. To receive any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-pecuniary interests, or interests relating to items on the agenda. Members of the council are subject to the Local Authorities Code of Conduct.	Decision
26/215	All Members	Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest. The maximum time allowed for the public to participate, as stated in the Gosfield Parish Council Public Participation policy and in accordance with Standing Orders is 15 minutes in total with each person being invited to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the council unless the Chairman deems it appropriate and adjourns the meeting.	Information
26/216	All Members	County and District Councillors to address the members if present. County Councillor Isi Rocha and District Councillor Peter Schwier.	Information
26/217	All Members	Minutes. Item 1. To confirm receipt of the draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21 st September 2026. Item 2. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21 st September 2026 are a true and accurate record.	Decision
26/218	All Members	Planning responses. To consider adopting a standard planning case assessment sheet, to be circulated with the agenda for each application, and the protocol for its preparation. The proposal is a single page per application, circulated with the agenda, recording facts only: 1. Site constraints: conservation area, listed buildings on or near the site, flood zone, tree preservation orders, public rights of way, article 4 directions, settlement boundary and any Local Plan allocation.	Decision

		2. Planning history: the parent permission where relevant, together with any conditions still in force, such as the removal of permitted development rights. 3. What is actually proposed, where the application description does not make this clear from the drawings. 4. The policies BDC is likely to apply.	
26/219	All Members	Planning Matters. To note the correct conservation boundary at The Lindens Item 1. Planning updates. Item 2. New applications. To consider any other applications received in order to be able to meet deadline dates.	Decision
26/220	All Members	Financial Matters. Item 1. Approve accounts for payment. Item 2. To approve the quarterly bank reconciliation.	Decision
26/221	All Members	Matters Arising. Item 1. Previous minute No. 24/268 Complaint letter to Clarion and BDC regarding affordable housing – update re Edmund Green. Item 2. Highways Noisy manhole surface/cover has been reported on 6th January to Essex County Council Highways ref: 4011284 The Street. What three words hypocrite mainly stiff Item 3. Highways Noisy manhole surface cover also reported on 4/6/2026 ref 4044993 near Kings Head triangle. What three words skirting contents pictured Item 4. Highways – reported manhole covers protruding up from the pavement Outside Tye Beams, in The Street Ref: 4037957 and 4015244 Update by County Cllr. Item 5. Highways - previously reported ref: 3602795 Blocked gully Halstead Road. Update by County Cllr. Item 6. Highway – road surface broken up near the war memorial reported 9/3/2026 ref: 4028882 Update by County Cllr. Item 7. Highways ref 4039670 reported 12/5/2026 Overhanging trees/hedges/brambles. Busy Main Braintree Road opposite Tye Beams. Difficult for pedestrians to use the pavement in this area also danger for vehicles pulling out of the Lindens junction - visibility issues. Update by County Cllr. Item 8. Highways ref 402774 – Kerb defects, Meadway update by County Cllr. Item 9. Highways ref; 3744479 and 6000667 Kerb defects, Braintree road update by County Cllr. Item 10. Neighbourhood Plan – Update. Item 11. Previous minute Nos. 24/251, 24/270, 25/012, 25/030 26,052 Street Lights. Item 12. Previous minute no. 26/057 Access to The Lindens from The Limes – update. Item 13. Previous minute no. 26/058 Registering the Kings Head Pub as a community asset- update. Item 14. Public Rights of Way, footpath 11 and 14 at the top of Meadway – update that new waymark discs have been installed on posts and that they will install metal Flags on each side of road Dec 26 - Jan 27 ref number 4024326.	Information

		Item 15. Previous minute number 26/106 Item 2 Gosfield Nature Reserve – Access Gate from Halstead Road entrance – Update. Item 16. Gosfield United Football Club – previous minute number 26/171 – Update relating to mobile bar, signage and lockers. Item 17. Bronze Quality award – previous minute number 26/175 – update, results and panel feedback will be given by Friday 11th December. Item 18. Previous minute number 26/181 The Lodge Plantation update by Cllr R. Edwards. Item 19. Previous minute number 26/197 Playing Field Drainage Works update. Item 20. Previous minute number 26/205 King Head “overflow parking sign”. Item 21. Previous minute number 26/208 Braintree District Council - Community Tree Planting Grant Funding. Item 22. Previous minute number 26/209 Essex Local Nature Recovery Strategy – update by Cllr R. Edwards.	
26/222	All Members	Gosfield Nature Reserve. Item 1 – report from Westover Woodlands on which properties have made an access into the GNR from their garden – update. Item 2 – to confirm projects to produce map and signage throughout the GNR and to seek funding Item 3 – to confirm project to install swims on East and West Ponds and to obtain funding for the project Item 4 –Specifications from Westover Woodlands to be prepared for trees to be removed by outside contractor’s in order to obtain 3 quotes.	Decision
26/223	All Members	Open Space land at the top of Meadway. Update. Meadway Development, Land West of Hedingham Road Community Land now known as West Field. Update relating to the transfer of the land as per the S106 agreement. Item 1. To consider accepting a payment from Abbey Homes of £7,610.00 Inc VAT in lieu of them completing required works to achieve the planning requirements of BDC. Item 2. Once the Parish Council owns the land to consider erecting bollards at the top near new path. Item 3. Once the Parish Council owns the land to consider erecting a sign stating, “Dogs must be kept under control at all times”. Item 4. Once the Parish Council owns the land to consider granting permission for a resident to maintain the flower borders.	Decision
26/224	All Members	Skate Ramp. To discuss and consider any remedial works required to the skate ramp prior to making the 5% retention.	Decision
26/225	All Members	Car park. Update, on improvements and remedial works. Item 1. Voluntary Parking meter	Decision
26/226	All Members	Allotments. To approve a community orchard on plot 6, if we can fund it.	Decision
26/227	All Members	Gosfield In Bloom. To discuss and consider making a donation to Gosfield in Bloom.	Decision
26/228	All Members	To receive reports from outside bodies, training courses, village representative, and Parish Council working groups.	Information

26/229	All Members	Items for next agenda. Please note that no decisions can be lawfully made under this item, LGA 12 10 (2) (b) states that business must be specified therefore the council cannot lawfully raise matters for decision.	Information
26/230	All Members	Date of Next Meeting. 16 th November 2026.	Information

THIS NOTICE WAS ISSUED BY: Mrs Diane Jacob, Parish Clerk Gosfield Parish Council e-mail: parishclerk@gosfieldparishcouncil.org