

NOTICE OF A MEETING OF WATER ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

To be held at the Pavilion, Openfield Croft, at 7.00pm on Thursday 26 March 2026

Members of the public and the press are welcome to attend.

Dear Councillor,

21 March 2026

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Water Orton Parish Council to be held at the Pavilion, Openfield Croft at **7.00pm** on **Thursday 26 March 2026** at which the following business will be transacted. Any Councillor unable to attend should forward their apologies either to the Clerk or the Chairman.

If you have any queries regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk.

Rachel Scully
Parish Clerk


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AGENDA

25/26.01	Apologies:	
	To receive and approve reasons for absence.	
25/26.02	Public participation:	
	To allow for Public Participation (maximum of 3 minutes per speaker). Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. <i>Members of the public wishing to raise issues which are not on the agenda should notify the Clerk, members of the Public may not take part in the Council Meeting itself. You are requested to send your comments to the Clerk by midday on the day of the meeting.</i> a) Members of the Public & Press b) Reports from County and District Councillors (for information only) if present: c) Report from Police representative (for information only) if present:	
25/26.03	Declarations of Interest and dispensations:	
	To receive Declarations of Interests and consider grant of dispensations of which written notice has been received by the Clerk.	
25/26.04	Minutes:	
	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 26 February 2026 (Appendix 1)	
25/26.05	Reports from Chairman, Parish Councillors:	
	To receive update/ reports: a) The Chair's Report (Appendix 2) b) Borough Councillor's Report (Appendix 3) c) Other reports	
25/26.06	Clerk's Report:	
	To receive the Clerk's Report (Appendix 4)	

25/26.07	Defibrillators:	
	To receive any updates regarding the defibrillator sited at the library, and to consider any further proposals for works relating to the defibrillators (Appendix 5)	
25/26.08	Councillor Vacancies:	
	To consider and discuss the recruitment of the two co-opted councillor vacancies on the Parish Council.	
25/26.09	Water Orton Parish Council Meeting Dates:	
	a)To consider and approve the proposed Annual meeting and Parish Council meeting dates. b)To consider, discuss and approve date for the Annual Parish meeting proposed to take place on a date in May 2026 (Appendix 6)	
25/26.10	Website:	
	a)To consider and approve the proposed options for the govuk domain name. b)To consider and approve any proposals, actions and recommendations for the website. (Appendix 7)	
25/26.11	Maintenance:	
	a)To receive monthly play inspection report from Cllr Chown (if available) (Appendix 8)	
25/26.12	Bowls Club: Toilet Block Works:	
	Correspondence received from the Bowls Club regarding the issues and the cost of the works to the automatic flush cycle installed in the toilet block. The Parish Council to consider and approve the proposed costs for the works to the toilet block (Appendix 9)	
25/26.13	Playing Field Gate:	
	To report on the progress in respect of changing round the Vicarage Lane playing field entrance gates (Appendix 9)	
25/26.14	Reinstatement Cost Assessment Valuation Report:	
	To consider and receive the Reinstatement Cost Assessment Valuation Report conducted on the Pavilion, Bowls Club by Cardinus Risk Management, dated 11 September 2025 (Appendix 10)	
25/26.15	Finance:	
15a)	The Parish Council to consider and resolve to approve North Warwickshire Borough Council grounds maintenance services contract for 2026/2027 (Appendix 11)	
15b)	To consider and resolve to approve the quotation proposal received from DCK Payroll Solutions (Appendix 12)	
15c)	To review, consider and approve the proposed increases of charges for Pavilion hire for 2026/2027 (Appendix 13)	
15d)	To consider and approve payment of invoices (Appendix 14)	

15e)	To approve the payment schedule up to 20 March 2026 and any items paid under delegated authority since previous schedule (Appendix 15)	
15f)	To approve the 2025-26 receipts and payments, and bank reconciliation to 20 March 2026 (Appendix 16)	
25/26.16	Policies:	
	To review, consider and adopt the following policies: a) Management Risk Assessment Strategy Policy (Appendix 17) b) Website Accessibility Statement (Appendix 18) c) Data Protection Policy (Appendix 19) d) IT Policy (Appendix 20) e) Any other policies (Appendix 21)	
25/26.17	Neighbourhood Governance Structure:	
	Correspondence received from Warwickshire & West Midlands Association of Local Councils regarding the UK Government's emerging agenda on neighbourhood governance set out through the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill signals a shift toward more localised, community-level decision making. The reforms would have significant implications for town and parish Councils. The Parish Council to discuss the potential implications and any actions. The Parish Council is asked to consider and resolve to pass a motion outlined in the Neighbourhood Governance Pack (Appendix 22)	
25/26.18	Local Government Reorganisation- Government Consultation:	
	The Government have started their consultation inviting residents, businesses, and key stakeholders, on the two options for unitary Councils in Warwickshire – a single Council for all of Warwickshire, or two Councils split North and South. The Government is only consulting on whether residents would prefer one unitary council for Warwickshire, or separate north and south unitary councils. Responses to be submitted by email or online. The Parish Council to consider and approve response to the consultation. Deadline date – Thursday 26 March 2026 (Appendix 23)	
25.26.19	Grand Union Canal Transfer – Phase Two Public Consultation:	
	This is a vital new scheme to bring water from the Midlands to the Southeast which will secure future drinking water supplies, protect the environment, ensure future water availability for canal navigation, and unlock investment in our communities. The scheme is a joint water transfer project between two water companies, Severn Trent and Affinity Water, and the Canal & River Trust (the Trust) charity, who are the owner and navigation authority of the canals in England and Wales. The Parish Council to consider a response to the consultation. Deadline for comments - Thursday 02 April 2026 (Appendix 24)	
25/26.20	IM Properties Planning Application:	
	To discuss whether the Parish Council would agree to consider the proposed planning application PAP/2025/0221 for the housing development of a 305-acre industrial estate in Wishaw & Curdworth and	

	make any comments and or objections. Comments/objections due by Spring 2026 (Appendix 25)	
25/26.21	Planning:	
21a)	To consider new applications: Reference: PAP/2026/0188, Site Address: 31 Coleshill Road, B46 1QX, Development Description: Non material minor amendment to Planning Permission PAP/2025/0383 dated 31/10/2025 for Erection of single storey rear extension, relating to: reduction of number of skylights from 4 to 3 and change orientation: Comments: submitted by 28 March 2026	
21b)	To report decisions on previous planning applications made by North Warwickshire Borough Council (for information only) None	
25/26.22	Items for Next Meeting:	
	Clerk to forward Agenda Item Reporting Sheet to Councillors.	
25/26.23	Date, Time and Place of the next Parish Council Meeting:	
	The Annual Parish Council meeting is to be held on Thursday 28 May 2026 at 7.00pm at the Playing Field Pavilion, Openfield Croft, Water Orton.	
25/26.24	Closed Session:	
	To consider moving into a closed session and exclude the public and press, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed. To consider any updates, proposals and recommendations relating to leases and HR matters (Appendix 26)	