



# East Dean & Friston P a r i s h C o u n c i l

**Councillors are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of East Dean and Friston Parish Council to be held in the Small Hall of the Village Hall, East Dean on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 commencing at 7.00 pm or immediately following Planning Committee which starts at 6.30 pm.**

**East Dean and Friston Parish Council will treat all councillors, clerk and all employees, members of the public, representatives of partner organisations and volunteers, with civility and respect in their role.**

Members of the public and press have a right, and are welcome, to attend meetings of the Council, and to speak during the Public Session. Meetings may be recorded.

Phil Burgess  
Clerk to the Council  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## **PARISH COUNCIL AGENDA**

### **Public Session**

### **Council Session**

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda.
3. Member of Parliament Report. (Report Item 3)
4. County Councillor report. (Report item 4).
5. District Councillor report.
6. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026.
7. Matters Arising from the minutes and updates from actions. (Item 7 annotated minutes).

### **For Decision**

- 8. Payments and Receipts** (Report Item 8) To note payments and receipts for January 2026.
- 9. Bank Balances & Reconciliations.** (Report Item 9). To note Current balances for both active accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026 £122,696. Chair to sign reconciliations.
- 10. Annual Village Meeting.** (Report Item 10) To consider topics for inclusion and the potential for PR assistance.
- 11. May Meeting Date.** (Report Item 11) To consider returning the May Annual Parish Council meetings to May 14th.
- 12. Sauna on the recreation ground.** (Report item 12) To consider a request to site a sauna on the recreation ground.
- 13. Friston Pond.** (Report Item 13). To consider action required for immediate and on-going maintenance for the pond and its environs.
- 14. WhatsApp Administration.** To consider allowing further administrators on the council's internal WhatsApp group.
- 15. Clerk's spending limit.** (Report Item 15) To consider the level of delegated authority to the Clerk.
- 16. Budget Progress.** (Report Item 16) Budget figures for the Period to January 2026.
- 17. Social Media** (Report Item 17). To consider a strategy for social media output.

### **FOR NOTING:**

- 18. Urgent Items** not on the Agenda which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency. No decision will be made.

### **19. Reports**

- a) Chair of the Council
- b) Defibrillators
- c) Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.
- d) Rights of Way and Highways.
- e) Tree Warden
- f) Recreation Ground
- g) Downlands Estate Management Group.
- h) Traffic Group

**20. Correspondence.** None.

**21. Confidential Item for debate.** *Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section1 paragraph 2.*

**22. Date of next meeting:** **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026 at 7.00 pm (following Planning Committee).**