



Bethersden Parish Council

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I hereby give you notice that a Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13 May 2026 at 1900hrs in Bethersden Village Hall.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.

Dated this day 8th May 2026.

Paula Cowperthwaite

Parish Clerk

AGENDA

Receive reports from County and Borough Councillors. Public questions and comments on agenda and non-agenda items (this section will be limited to 15 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Chairman).

69/2026. Present

To note those present

70/2026. Apologies

To receive and approve apologies for absence.

71/2026. Election of Chair, and signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office

72/2026. Election of Vice Chair

73/2026. Declarations of Interest

A Councillor who declares a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in relation to any item on the agenda should leave the meeting for the whole of the item (unless a dispensation is granted) and will not be able to participate in discussion or voting. A Councillor with an Other Significant Interest must declare their interest. They can participate in discussion but must not vote.

74/2026. Appointment to Outside Bodies

To appoint representatives to:

- KALC (2)
- Bethersden Village Hall (1)
- Community Safety Liaison (1)

75/2026. Minutes of the Meeting of the 16th April 2026

To approve the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 16th April 2026 as an accurate record of the meeting.

76/2026. Chairman`s Report

To receive the Chairman`s Report.

77/2026. Parish Clerk`s Report

To receive the Parish Clerk`s Report

Planning Matters

To agree comments for:

78/2026. Planning Application [NOT/2026/0733](#)

Vine Hall Farm, Office At, Woodchurch Road, Bethersden, TN26 3JY

Prior Approval for the change of use of land and associated building operations to form two dwellings.

79/2026. Planning Application [NOT/2026/0805](#)

Tyde Brook Farm, Wissenden Lane, Bethersden, TN26 3EN

Prior approval for the change of use and conversion of 2 existing agricultural barns into dwellings

80/2026. Planning Decisions

To note the planning decisions for:

PA/2026/0354

25, Rosedale, School Road, Bethersden, TN26 3AH – Two-storey side and single-storey rear extension and relocation of front door following demolition of existing garage.

BPC: Representation made

ABC: Approve

PA/2026/0157

Harleydene, Ashford Road, Bethersden - Construction of single storey rear extension, side extension and front porch and changes to fenestration

BPC: no overriding concerns

ABC: conditional approval

PA/2025/1133

Tawny Owl Barn, Smarden Road, Bethersden - Change of use of land from agricultural to residential and erection of outbuilding (amended description of development)

BPC – several points of concern (but especially over the lack of clarity of the extent of the proposals in the submitted drawings)

ABC – conditional approval, following the receipt of amended drawings

Financial Matters

81/2026. Financial Transactions

To note or approve the financial transactions

Income		Amount £
ABC	S106	13,556.27
ABC	Precept	39,500.00
Expenditure		
*Lloyds Bank	Bank Charges	9.25
*Scottish Water	Water Supply	51.99
Parish Clerk	Salary and Expenses	1602.48
Countrywide	April Invoice 690312	419.89
Countrywide	April Invoice 689179	318.78
C Buckman	April Invoice 40	148.50
Xeinadin	April payroll and year end admin	165.00
Cllr Boyd	CCTV SIM	10.00
Bethersden Village Hall	May room hire	31.00
Purer Solutions	CCTV repairs	390.54
Rialtas	Year End Session	777.60
Wilkin Chapman Rollits	Legal Advice	600.00

*Payments already made

82/2026 To establish a working group for future planning

To nominate members for the proposed working group

83/2026 Speed Indicator Device

To discuss the disposal of the Speed Indicator Device

84/2026 European Sculpture Trail

To receive an update on the project and to approve the forward plan and fundraising approach.

85/2026 Bethersden Scout Hut

To receive an update on the current situation and to approve any next steps

86/2025 Resilience Plan

To receive an update on the latest resilience plan work

87/2026. Correspondence

To note any correspondence received.

- Abandoned vehicles complaint

88/2026. Items for next meeting

To agree any items to be included on the next meeting agenda.

89/2026. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th June 2026 in Bethersden Village Hall at 19:00hrs.