



Members of **HADLOW DOWN PARISH COUNCIL** are summoned to the meeting of the **HADLOW DOWN PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 19:00** in the Committee Room in the Village Hall.

Vicki Rutt – Clerk and RFO

30<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**THE FIRST TEN MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC TO EXPRESS A VIEW OR ASK A QUESTION ON RELEVANT MATTERS ON THE FOLLOWING AGENDA, THEY ARE THEN WELCOME TO STAY AND OBSERVE THE REST OF THE MEETING. DURING THE MEETING FURTHER COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC, WILL ONLY OCCASIONALLY BE ALLOWED, AT THE CHAIR'S DISCRETION.**

### AGENDA

1. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**
2. **APOLOGIES**
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
4. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING** held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 to be agreed and signed as a true record (previously circulated)
5. **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**
  - a. Refer to Action Log 2025
  - b. Clerks report: update passed to councillors prior to the meeting.
6. **PLANNING:** *any applications received between the date of issue of the agenda, and the date of the meeting may be discussed and a response agreed at the meeting. Details of the application will appear on the village website.*
  - a. WD/2026/0262/LDE for WILDERNESS WOOD, MAIN ROAD, HADLOW DOWN, TN22 4HJ  
Erection of Structure (known as the Meeting House)
  - b. WD/2025/2429/FR for DRAKES HEAD DEN, LAND SE OF PIGSFOOT FARM, BRICK KILN LANE, HADLOW DOWN  
Demolition of existing approved buildings. Retrospective permission for stationing of a shipping container and temporary caravan for welfare purposes, and retention of stable building with two loose boxes. Installation of security fencing and stationing of one shipping container.
7. **REPORTS FROM CLLR. BOB STANDLEY, ESCC & CLLR. MICHAEL LUNN (WDC)**
8. **HIGHWAYS**
  - a. To receive an update on the A272 speed signage changes
9. **COMMUNITY CENTRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE**
10. **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON DEVOLUTION**
11. **RISK ASSESSMENTS:**
  - a. Assign Q1 village risk assessment
12. **PLAYING FIELD:**
  - a. Ratify approval for request to install memorial plaque and bird boxes
  - b. To approve wording and expenditure for a sign to be installed on the Playing Field gate
13. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**
  - a. Update regarding gritting service
  - b. A letter from Horam Parish Council
  - c. Dangerous Condition of the A272 Through Hadlow Down – Formal Notice and Request for Immediate Action
  - d. Email from resident re the dangerous state of the A272
  - e. Email from resident re supporting changes needed on the A272
  - f. Email from resident asking if the PC will consider serving a legal notice on Highways
  - g. Shepherds Hut spotted in Waste Wood
14. **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS (COUNCIL MATTERS AND OUTSIDE BODIES)**
15. **CLERKS MATTERS**
  - a. Clerks hours for March 2026

**16. FINANCE MATTERS:**

- a. Agree Finance Report for EOY March 2026 and April 2026
- b. Agree and sign Bank Reconciliation for March 2026
- c. Note the Q4 figures for 2025/26 and end of year report from the Clerk
- d. Approve a 3-year contract for internal audit services from Mulberry and Co
- e. Consider a grant request from Village fete

**17. DEFIBRILLATOR BATTERY** - To confirm checked

**18. ITEMS TO GO ON NEXT AGENDA**

Signed: Vicki Rutt – Clerk and RFO

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026