

FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillors, you are summoned to attend a meeting of **FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 11th November 2025, 7.00pm** Firle Village Hall. *Lorna Thwaites*, Firle Parish Clerk, Wednesday 5th November 2025.

To RECEIVE questions from the Public:

The first ten minutes are available for public participation before the start of the meeting. During this time, members of the public may ask questions or make representations, in respect of business on the agenda. Members of the public may only speak at other points during the meeting if they have knowledge or information that will aid the discussion and will only speak at the Chair's discretion.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** To RECEIVE and ACCEPT apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR A DISPENSATION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA,** as required by the Members Code of Conduct.
3. **TO HEAR FROM SOUTHERN WATER AND ACS Ltd ON THE APPLICATION OF BIOSOLIDS TO FARMLAND.**
4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** To RESOLVE that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Firle Parish Council held on 7th October 2025 are a correct record and signed by the Chair.
5. **FINANCE/ADMIN:**
 - 5.1 To AUTHORISE payments to be made in November and to RECEIVE and SIGN the bank reconciliation.
6. **BUDGET 2026-27:**
 - 6.1 To AGREE the first draft of the budget and precept 2026-2027.
7. **THE LEGAL AGREEMENT WITH FIRLE VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS.**
 - 7.1 To RECEIVE feedback from FVHPFC regarding the inclusion of the Tennis Club and to AGREE any amends.
8. **TO RECEIVE AND AGREE ANY COMMENTS REGARDING THE WHOLE ESTATE PLAN – FIRLE ESTATE.**
9. **REPORT(S):**
 - 9.1 To RECEIVE reports from Local and District Councillors and the MP for Lewes.
10. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 10.1 To RECEIVE an update on the works to repair the wall in front of the memorial – Cllr Barr.
 - 10.2 To AGREE to reduce the height of the hedge behind the war memorial – Cllr Barr.
 - 10.3 To RESOLVE to buy dog fouling warning signs to use in parts of the village – Cllr Hill.
 - 10.4 To DISCUSS and AGREE any action regarding the Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) – Cllr Hill.
 - 10.5 To RESOLVE to replace The Street road sign – Cllr Barr.
 - 10.6 To DISCUSS and AGREE any action regarding plastic left on The Street from firework bangers – Cllr Bolger.
11. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**
 - 11.1 Training – Parish Councils and Village Halls – ESALC.
 - 11.2 Road Safety Posters ordered for Firle – ESCC.
 - 11.3 Sussex Resilience Toolkit – LDC.
 - 11.4 Stroke Awareness Workshop, Funding Information and Nature Recovery Consultation Details – LD CAN.
 - 11.5 SDNPA Active Travel Network Plan and Vision Map – Rights of Way, SDNPA.
 - 11.6 LNRS webinar – ESALC.
 - 11.7 Lewes District Emergency Food Winter Fundraiser – Sussex Community Development Association.
 - 11.8 Thank you and follow up – ESH.
12. **HIGHWAYS:**
 - 12.1 To RECEIVE an update on the foliage by village sign at the entrance to the village at Crossways – Cllr Barr.
 - 12.2 To RESOLVE to contact ESH to clear blocked drains by Redwood Cottage in Wick Street – Cllr Barr.
13. **PLANNING:** Applications Received:
14. **PROJECTS:**
 - 14.1 **Assets of Community Value**
 - 14.1.1 To RECEIVE an update on the nomination of the Millennium Woods and the Allotments as an ACV.
15. **TO AGREE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH MAGAZINE.**
16. **TO RECEIVE THE TIME AND DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL.**
17. **TO CLOSE THE MEETING.**