

FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillors, you are summoned to attend a meeting of **FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 7th October 2025, 7.00pm** Firle Village Hall. ~~Lorna Thwaites~~, Firle Parish Clerk, Wednesday 1st October 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. **TO HEAR FROM MS V.ROWLANDS, CHAIR SDNPA AND CHAIR NATIONAL PARKS ENGLAND.**
3. **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.
4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** To RESOLVE that the minutes of the annual meeting of Firle Parish Council held on 2nd September 2025 are a correct record and signed by the Chair.
5. **FINANCE/ADMIN:**
 - 5.1 To AUTHORISE payments to be made in October and to RECEIVE and SIGN the bank reconciliation.
 - 5.2 To RECEIVE an update on spend vs budget 2025-26.
6. **BUDGET 2026-27:**
 - 6.1 To AGREE the direction of the budget 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. **REPORT(S):**
 - 8.1 To RECEIVE reports from Local and District Councillors and the MP for Lewes.
9. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 9.1 To RECEIVE an update on the works to repair the wall in front of the memorial.
 - 9.2 To RECEIVE correspondence re interest in a bus service from Ringmer and Newhaven to Firle Village School.
 - 9.3 To RECEIVE updates regarding the recent sludge application and to AGREE further any actions – Cllr Hill.
 - 9.4 To RECEIVE details of the remembrance service and to AGREE to send details to James MacCleary MP.
 - 9.5 To RESOLVE to order a poppy wreath and make a donation.
 - 9.6 To RESOLVE to buy dog fouling warning signs to use in parts of the village – Cllr Hill.
10. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**
 - 10.1 Police and Government Cyber Crime Support for Local Organisations – SECRC.
 - 10.2 Free 'Do Not Knock on Door' Stickers for Older People – Able Community Care.
 - 10.3 Road Closure Order, Firle Bonfire – LDC.
 - 10.4 LGA Update – B.Mabey.
 - 10.5 Lewes District Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner Town and Parish Feedback Sessions – Sussex PCC.
 - 10.6 Invitation to SDNPA Parish Meeting (Virtual) 01 Oct.
 - 10.7 Road Closure Application, Glynde, Beddingham and Firle Memorial Parade – LDC.
 - 10.8 Supporting East Sussex Local Access Forum Recruitment – ESCC.
 - 10.9 An invitation to Parish Councils from East Sussex Fire and Rescue Service.
11. **HIGHWAYS:**
 - 11.1 To RECEIVE an update on the foliage by village sign at the entrance to the village at Crossways – Cllr Barr.
12. **PLANNING: Applications Received:**
 - 12.1 **SDNP/25/03722/HOUS Proposal:** Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension to replace, alterations to fenestration and external surface treatment to ground floor walling installation of solar panels to east and west facing roofline. (Amendment to approval SDNP/22/00238/HOUS has not been implemented) **Location:** Trosley Lodge, The Street, Firle, East Sussex, BN8 6LQ (by 10 Oct).
13. **PROJECTS:**
 - 13.1 **Assets of Community Value**
 - 13.1.1 To RECEIVE an update on the nomination of the Millennium Woods and the Allotments as an ACV.
14. **TO AGREE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH MAGAZINE.**
15. **TO RECEIVE THE TIME AND DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL.**
16. **TO CLOSE THE MEETING.**