Farningham Parish Council

To: The Members of the Parish Council of Farningham I hereby summon you to attend the meeting of the Parish Council to be held in the SHAND HALL St. PETER & St. PAUL's CHURCH, 5-6 High Street, Farningham, Kent, DA4 0DG commencing at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday 8th July 2026 to transact the undermentioned business.

3rd July 2026. Helen Penney, Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. **Attendees and apologies for absence.**
2. **Co-option.**
3. **Declarations of personal, prejudicial and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda and updates to members' register of interests.**
4. **To consider, and approve if appropriate, agenda items sufficiently confidential as to warrant exclusion of members of the press and public under the Admission to Meetings Act 1960.**
5. **Nomination of a Member to complete the next Trident Reports for submission by 11 July and 11 August 2026.**
6. **To receive a report from the County Councillor.** (No decisions may take place as a result of this item).
7. **To receive a report from the District Councillors.** (No decisions may take place as a result of this item).
8. **To receive an update on matters arising from the last minutes that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.** (No decisions may be taken under this item).
9. **A Public Open Session. Members of the public will be welcome to address the Parish Council with any local concerns they have. Please note that each speaker will be allocated a maximum of three minutes and at the discretion of the Chair.** (No decisions may take place as a result of this item).
10. **Approve as a correct record, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 10 June 2026.**
11. **Clerks report.** (No decision making may take place as a result of this item).

12. Planning.

12.1 To note and raise any questions to the planning log circulated by the Clerk on 3 July 2026.

12.2 Planning Applications.

To consider any planning applications and to include any received by the Clerk after the agenda has been served to Councillors.

12.2.1 Reference: 26/00974/HOUSE
Site: Farningham Hill House Farningham Hill Road Farningham Kent DA4 0JR
Development: Permission to regularise the introduction of several new elements and associated landscaping works. *The full description can be found on SDCs planning portal.*
Comments by 9 July 2026

12.2.2 Reference: 26/01347/HOUSE Site: St Ives Maplescombe Lane Farningham Kent DA4 0JY
Proposal: Demolition of existing detached garage with first floor hobby room plus the single storey side room and the construction of a new two storey side extension to provide additional accommodation for the family. Alterations to fenestration.
Comments by: 14 July 2026

12.3 To note planning applications received but not for comment:
12.3.1 26/01383/DETAIL Site: Charton Manor Farm Gorse Hill Farningham Dartford Kent DA4 0JT
Proposal: Details pursuant to condition 5 (archaeological watching briefing) of 22/03410/FUL

12.3.2 Reference: 26/01635/WTCA Site: The Manor House High Street Farningham Kent DA4 0DG
Proposal: Common Horse Chestnut x 2 - reduce height by 5-6 meters, reduce lateral growth by 1-2 meters to shape and balance."

12.4 Planning Appeals to note or comments on:
12.4.1 SDC Ref: 25/00050/RFHEDN, Planning Inspectors Ref: APP/HGW/557
Site: Land West Of Gabriel Spring Road Fawkham Kent
Nature: Hedgerow removal, The appeal will be determined on the basis of written representations.
Additional comments due by: 24 July 2026

12.5 Updates on enforcement cases and to highlight new activities or sites causing concern.
12.6 Sevenoaks Local Plan Regulation 19 and agree next steps.
12.6.1 Note the Regulation 19 consultation period (23 July to 17 September 2026).
12.6.2 Consider and agree resident engagement during the consultation period.
12.6.3 Consider and agree whether to commission additional planning support.
12.6.4 Consider and agree publicity during the consultation period.
12.6.5 Consider and agree liaison with neighbouring parish councils.
12.6.6 Note SDCs proposed review of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule.
12.6.7 Consider and agree whether FPC should contribute towards any community fundraising campaign.
12.6.8 Delegate authority to the Clerk to register FPC's interest to speak at the Public Examination
12.6.9 To agree and confirm dates for additional PC meetings over the summer period, if required.
12.6.10 Agree arrangements for preparing FPC's Reg 19 response, to include creation of a working group.

13. Finance Items for noting and decision.
13.1 To approve items payable, and note items paid and receipts.
13.2 To note and raise any questions for the flexed budget June 2026.
13.3 To note the recent tree survey and agree next steps.
13.4 CIL budget

14. Non-Operational CCTV Cameras – Consideration of Future Action
15. To note updates from Highways regarding the Highways Improvement Plan and agree next steps.
16. To receive an update on Community Asset Transfers from SDC and agree next steps.
17. To approve an autumn/winter newsletter, suggest items for inclusion and appoint member/s to support with the content of articles.

18. Correspondance, and agree next steps.
18.1 Thames Water Draft Drought Plan - Statutory Consultation 2026.
18.2 Kent Downs Management Plan Review 2026 – 2031.

Urgent business that occurs and requires, attention before the next meeting that may be reported at the Chairman's discretion. (No decisions may take place as a result of this item).

Date of next meeting Wednesday 9th September 2026, 7pm.
Requests from Councillors for the next agenda due by 28th August 2026.