



NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

**Meeting of the Town Council
Monday 13th April 2026 immediately following the
Planning & Payments Committee Meeting
Council Chamber, Memorial Hall, Hawley Green GU17 9BW**

Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting.
Please inform the Clerk if you are unable to attend.

This is a meeting in public. If you would like to join and have any special requirements eg. access or a copy of the agenda in another format, eg. large print, please contact us.

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Town Clerk

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AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive any apologies for absence from the meeting
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive declarations of interest for any item on the agenda
- 3. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS**
To receive questions from Town Councillors (prior notification preferred).
- 4. DEMOCRATIC FIFTEEN MINUTES**
To allow members of the public to speak or ask questions, with priority given to items on the agenda. To receive comments submitted to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting (not exceeding 15 minutes).
- 5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**
 - 5.1 To Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting**
To consider the minutes of the meetings held on 23rd March 2026 and to authorise their signing as a true and correct record. **Appendix A**
 - 5.2 Matters Arising**
To discuss any matters arising from the meetings of 23rd March 2026 not discussed elsewhere on this Agenda.
- 6. REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL**
- 7. DISTRICT & COUNTY REPORTS**
- 8. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE AND OTHER BODIES**
To receive reports from representatives on outside and other bodies.

9. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORTS COMMITTEE MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

- Planning & Payments Committee Meeting held on 23rd February 2026

10. FINANCE 2025/26

10.1 Draft Income and Expenditure Reports 31/03/2026

To note the contents of the draft I&E report for period ended 31st March 2026. **Appendix B, Appendix C**

10.2 Lloyds Bank

1. Bank Mandate

Councillors to discuss and agree on signatories and payment authorities for the Council's bank accounts, including removal of any previous signatories or authorisations.

2. Charge Card

Councillors to consider and resolve agreement on setting up a charge/credit card, the number of cards required and the credit limits for each card.

11. INSURANCE 2025/26

11.1 Commercial Combined Insurance Renewal

The Council insurance renewal is due covering the period 14th April 2026 to 13th April 2027. This Aviva policy is under a 3-year rate stability agreement with a 5% rate escalator and includes terrorism cover.

Year 1 (of 3) 2025/26 - £10,208.35

Year 2 (of 3) Renewal Cost - £10,340.98

Councillors to resolve agreement to renew the Aviva commercial combined insurance policy.

11.2 Group Personal Accident Insurance

The Council Aviva group personal accident renewal is due covering the period 14th April 2026 to 13th April 2027.

2025/26 Renewal Cost – £555.67

2026/27 Renewal Cost - £493.71

Councillors to resolve agreement to renew the Aviva group personal accident insurance policy.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION IN HAMPSHIRE

Councillors to note that the Government has announced its decision on Local Government Reorganisation across Hampshire and Isle of Wight and the new unitary councils will be:

- **North Hampshire Council** (current local government areas of Basingstoke and Deane, Hart and Rushmoor)
- **Mid Hampshire Council** (current local government areas of East Hampshire, New Forest, Test Valley and Winchester, less 11 parishes from all 4 areas)
- **South East Hampshire Council** (current local government areas from East Hampshire, Fareham, Gosport, Havant, Portsmouth, 3 parishes from East Hampshire and 1 parish from Winchester)
- **South West Hampshire Council** (current local government areas of Eastleigh, 4 parishes from New Forest, Southampton and 3 parishes from Test Valley)
- **Isle of Wight Council** will remain as a separate unitary authority.

Elections for the new councils are expected to take place in May 2027, with the new authorities formally taking over on 1 April 2028.

13. HART DC - PLAYING PITCH & OUTDOOR SPORTS STRATEGY, BUILT FACILITIES STRATEGY AND OPEN SPACE STUDY

Councillors to note that Hart DC have commissioned a Playing Pitch & Outdoor Sports Strategy, a Built Facilities Strategy and an Open Space Study to assess current levels of provision and to consider future needs. Consultants will contact the council in due course.

14. TOWN PLAN

Councillors to consider updating the Town Plan for 2026/27 and any new information or amendments.

15. ROAD SAFETY

1. Councillors to note that a Community Speedwatch Information evening will be held on Thursday 16th April 2026 at 6.30pm at Monteagle Hall, Tresham Crescent, Yateley.
2. Councillors to note correspondence in connection with safe crossing point to Hawley Farm open space and consider a response.

16. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 16.1 Town Clerk's verbal Estates Report April 2026
- 16.2 Blackwater Buzz May 2026 – suggestions for items for inclusion

17. OTHER BUSINESS – NOT FOR DECISION

18. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC & PRESS

To RESOLVE that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the public and press are temporarily excluded and are asked to withdraw for remaining items on the Agenda.

19. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

To consider the confidential minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 23rd March 2026 and, if appropriate, to authorise their signing as a true and correct record.

20. MATTERS ARISING

To discuss any confidential matters arising from the minutes of 23rd March 2026 not discussed elsewhere on this Agenda.

21. OTHER CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS – NOT FOR DECISION