Hale Parish Council Annual meeting to be held at Hale Village Hall (Downstairs)
Tuesday 5th May 2026 at 7pm

For more information please see the website or contact the clerk at hpcclerk@gmail.com or 07553 728121.

Dear Councillor,
You are summoned to the meeting of Hale Parish Council on Tuesday 5th May 2026 at 7pm for the purpose of transacting the following business. This meeting will be held in Hale Village Hall.
Yours sincerely
Amanda Johnson
Hale Parish Clerk

AGENDA

26.37 **TO ELECT A CHAIR FOR 2025/26** and Chair to accept Declaration of Office.

26.38 **TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIR FOR 2025/26**

26.39 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** To receive and accept apologies for absence.

26.40 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - To receive declarations of interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to agree any dispensation requests

26.41 **MINUTES:**
26.41.1 To consider and resolve to approve the minutes of Hale Parish Council meeting held on 5th March 2026.
26.41.2 Note matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere in the agenda.

26.42 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:** Members of the public are invited to address the council on agenda matters or raise any matters not otherwise on the agenda.

26.43 **PLANNING:**

Case Number	26/00206FULL
Proposal	Agricultural barn
Site	Land Adjacent To, Aubann House, Hatchet Green, Hale, SP6 2NE

Case Number	26/00142FULL
Proposal	Side extension to garage; relocation of existing garage lean-to
Site	Stonecroft, Forest Road, Hale, Fordingbridge, SP6 2NR

Case Number	26/00173FULL
Proposal	Outbuilding
Site	Mays Cottage, Forest Road, Hale, Fordingbridge, SP6 2NR

Case Number	26/00172FULL
Proposal	Storage building for land management
Site	Land West of Mays Cottage, Forest Road, Hale, SP6 2NR

Case Number 26/00431VAR
Proposal Application to vary condition 5 of planning permission 25/00024FULL for single-storey extension; demolition of single-storey extension
Site Mays Cottage, Forest Road, Hale, Fordingbridge, SP6 2NR

26.44 **TO RECIEVE A REPORT FROM NFDC COUNCILLOR**

26.45 **EXTERNAL MEETINGS:** To receive reports and discuss external meetings attended/minutes received.

26.46 **FORESTRY ENGLAND CAR PARKING CHARGES –** To discuss communications from Beaulieu Parish Council and agree any actions

26.47 **NEW FOREST TOGETHER –** To discuss letter from New Forest Together regarding Local Government Reorganisation and agree any actions.

26.48 **STANDARDS AND PERSONNEL COMMITTE:** To elect members of the committee for 2026/27.

26.49 **PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES –** To consider and approve representatives for 2026/27

26.50 **COUNCILLOR RESPONSIBILITIES -** To consider and approve responsibilities for 2026/27.

26.51 **REGULATIONS:** To approve the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for 26/27

26.52 **TO RECONFIRM ELIGIBILITY TO CONTINUE THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE**

26.53 **TO APPROVE THE ASSET REGISTER FOR 2026/27.**

26.54 **TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS FOR 2025/26.**

26.55 **TO RECEIVE THE INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT FOR 2025/26 AND ACCEPT ANY RECOMMENDATIONS.**

26.56 **TO CERTIFY HALE PARISH COUNCIL AS EXEMPT FROM A LIMITED ASSURANCE REVIEW DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025/26 (AS HALE PARISH COUNCILS GROSS INCOME FOR THE YEAR OR GROSS ANNUAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR DID NOT EXCEED £25,000.)**

26.57 **TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2025/26 FORM 2.**

26.58 **TO REVIEW AND APPROVE DATES FOR THE PERIOD FOR THE EXCERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS.**

26.59 **26.59.1 MONTHLY PAYMENTS** - To approve the following payments (and any further payments received after the agenda was published):

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	VAT	PAYMENT METHOD
2025/26 Accounts				
NFDC	Tree Survey	£60		Bank Transfer
Cutting Edge	Cemetery maintenance – March	£190		
2026/27 Accounts				
Amanda Johnson	Salary – April	N/A		Standing Order

Cutting Edge	Cemetery Maintenance – April	£190		Bank Transfer
Defib Machines	Defib – includes £250 deposit	£775.60	87.60	Bank Transfer
HALC	Annual Subscription	£313.00		Bank Transfer
Lloyd Bank	Account fees	£4.25 each month		Direct

26.59.2 ANNUAL PAYMENTS - To consider and approves the council's annual payments and subscriptions :-

ICO Data Protection fee
Penon Water bills (Cemetery)
Cutting Edge - Cemetery maintenance
Lengthsman expenses
HALC/NALC subscription
SLCC subscription
Friends of the New Forest Subscription
Website fees.
Laptop virus protection
Hale Village Hall usage fees
Payroll fees
Homeworking and office expenses
Lloyds Bank fees
Office supplies

26.60 **CORRESPONDENCE** - To consider correspondence received before 28/04/2026 and any urgent correspondence received after the agenda was finalised not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.

26.61 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NEXT MEETING**

26.62 **TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING**