

SIMONSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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Members of Simonstone Parish Council are summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 2 July 2026 at St. Peters School Church Hall, Simonstone commencing at 7.15pm.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Agenda

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.**
- 2. To approve minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 May 2026.**
- 3. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other registrable and non-registrable interests.**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary, and other registrable and non-registrable interest in respect of matters contained in the agenda.
- 4. Public participation.**

This 15-minute session (time limit of 5 minutes per item/per person) provides members of the public an opportunity to indicate interests in an agenda item and put questions to the Parish Council. Such questions may be answered after the meeting or become an agenda item at a future Parish Council meeting.

ITEMS for DECISION/DISCUSSION

- 5. Finance Report.**

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) to approve the:

 - Accounts to date.
 - Schedule of Payments as set out in the Report.
 - Reconciliation of Receipts and Payments as shown in the Report.
- 6. Revision and Approval of SPC Grant Application Policy.** Report from the clerk presenting previous grants policy for amendment and approval by councillors.
- 7. Revision and Approval of SPC Social Media Policy.** Report from the clerk presenting previous social media policy for amendment and approval by councillors.
- 8. Revision and Approval of SPC Website Policy.** Report from the clerk presenting previous website policy for amendment and approval by councillors.
- 9. Mobile phone costings:** Report from the clerk (enclosed) on costings associated with purchasing a parish mobile phone.
- 10. Risk Assessment Policy:** Report from the clerk informing member of the need for an up-to-date Risk Assessment Policy.
- 11. Amendments to Code of Conduct and Declarations of Interest:** Verbal update from Cllr Peat following recent Councillor Code of Conduct training informing member of the new guidelines.
- 12. Bypass bid update:** Report from Cllr Duckworth (enclosed) recommending updates to our bypass bid document.

ITEMS for INFORMATION

13. **Defibrillator.** Update on installation status.
14. **School Footpath:** Verbal report from the clerk and Cllr Pollard summarising the DMMO application.
15. **School Transport Costs:** Report from Cllr Hampson following correspondence with parish.
16. **Lamplight Progress:** Report from Cllr Hampson on lamplight ceremony proceedings.
17. **HGV and tractors driving along Simonstone Lane:** Report from the Cllr Hampson and the clerk (enclosed) on correspondence with police and LCC.
18. **Advertisement of councillor vacancy:** Verbal update from the clerk on applications received since the councillor vacancy was readvertised.
19. **Parish Plan Issued:** Report from the clerk (enclosed) on the issuing of the SPC Parish Plan and responses received.
20. **Reports from External Meetings: Parish Liaison Committee, updates on code of conduct and pecuniary interest reporting.**
21. **Planning Report.** Report of the Clerk (enclosed) for members to consider planning matters since the previous meeting, including major housing development.
22. **Crime Figures.** Report of the Clerk (enclosed) to update members on the latest crime figures for the area.
23. **Consideration of matters not on the agenda.** An opportunity for the Clerk and members to provide updates, raise matters and suggest items for future meetings.
24. **Borough Councillors Report.**
25. **Items for Next Agenda: Christmas preparation, Budget Planning, Remembrance Day preparations, clerk development.**