STONDON PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

19th November 2026

Members of Stondon Parish Council:

Cllr A Marabese (Chairperson), Cllr M Thompson (Vice-Chairperson), Cllr N Benson, Cllr M Bilsby, Cllr L Finch, Cllr N Hansford, Cllr C Jenkins, Cllr P Lazenby, Cllr G Simkins, Cllr C Upchurch

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Council Meeting of Stondon Parish Council** on **Wednesday 25th November 2026**, commencing at **7:30 pm** in **The Function Room, Stondon Community Centre, The Pastures, Upper Stondon, SG16 6QB** for the purpose of transacting the business set out in this agenda.

Central Bedfordshire Council Ward Members, representatives of the press and electorates of Stondon, for information.

Sian van der Merwe

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Clerk to Stondon Parish Council

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214. Apologies for absence **7:30pm**

215. Declarations **7:32pm**

a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda. If, at any time during the meeting, a Councillor feels they have an interest in an item being discussed they should declare it at that point.

b) To grant requests for dispensation as appropriate.

216. Chairman's announcements **7:35pm**

a) Notice regarding openness and transparency of the meeting.

217. To approve the Minutes of the **Parish Council Meeting** of **28th October 2026**. **7:36pm**

218. Public session **7:40pm**

Standing Orders will be suspended for a period of up to 15 minutes to allow members of the public to address the Council in relation to the business on the agenda or request matters to be discussed at a subsequent meeting. Please note that this is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per speaker.

219. Community Reports **7.55pm**

To receive a report, for information only, from the following groups:

a) Central Bedfordshire Ward Councillors
b) RAF Henlow
c) Stondon Village Hall Management Committee

220. Planning Applications as received from Central Bedfordshire Planning Authority **8.17pm**

There were no planning applications received from Central Bedfordshire Planning Authority.

221. Procedural **8.18pm**

a) To elect representatives to the following Working Groups:
   i. Budget Planning Working Group;
   ii. Governance & Development Working Group;
   iii. Rands Educational Trust.

b) To receive an update from the Clerk on the Patient Participation Group.

222. Community Centre and Village Hall **8.22pm**

a) Community Centre
   i. Update on snagging issues as issued by the Village Hall Committee.

ii. Update on outstanding actions from previous meetings.

b) Village Hall

i. Update on repairs to Village Hall roof.

223. Highways

a) To consider a complaint from residents on Hillside Road regarding parking. **8.30pm**

224. Open Spaces **8.40pm**

a) To receive an update on open spaces from the Clerk.

b) To consider comments from the GP Surgery regarding the draft Licence Agreement for the Poppyfields Community Garden.

c) Allotments:

i. To receive an update from the Clerk.

225. Community Engagement **8.55m**

a) To receive a report from the Clerk regarding upcoming and recent community events.

b) To receive an update from the Clerk regarding community engagement with local groups.

c) To consider a proposal for two screenings of the People's Emergency Briefing Community.

226. Finance **9:10pm**

a) To consider and approve the purchase of or costs related to:

i. Purchasing Microsoft Licences and/or IT support package for Councillors;

ii. Obtaining a valuation for the Poppyfields Community Garden;

iii. New website and associated ticketing and bank transaction applications.

b) To consider and approve payments made or to be made between meetings.

c) To note the budget vs actual year to date and earmarked reserve reports.

d) To note the Clerk's delegated expenditure schedule.

e) To receive details of income received for October 2026.

f) To approve bank reconciliations for October 2026.

227. Public Open Session **9:30pm**

To adjourn for a period of up to 15 minutes

to allow members of the public to put questions or to address the Council, through the Chairman, in respect of any other business of the Parish Council.

Each Speaker will give their name to the Chairman prior to speaking, which will be recorded in the minutes unless that person requests otherwise. Each Speaker will be allowed (one) three-minute slot.

Times as indicated on this agenda are indicative.