



**Councillors are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of East Dean and Friston Parish Council to be held in the Small Hall of the Village Hall, East Dean on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024 commencing at 7.30pm**

Members of the public and press have a right, and are welcome, to attend meetings of the Council, and to speak during the Public Session.

Fiona Chalk  
Clerk to the Council  
30<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### **AGENDA**

**PUBLIC SESSION** - Opportunity for public to express a view and comment on items on the agenda

1. Acceptance of apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest\*
3. Approval of the Minutes – to confirm and sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024
4. Actions from meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024
5. Report of the County Councillor
6. Report of the District Councillor

### **FOR DECISION:**

7. **Preliminary Consideration of the Budget and Precept for 2025/26 (Report Item 7)**
  - a) To note the Annual Budget Report for the first half of the financial year 2024/25, with projected out-turn
  - b) To consider the first draft of the Forward Budget 2025/26
8. **Payments and Receipts (Report Item 8)**
  - a. To approve payments to be made in November 2024; and to note payments and receipts for October 2024
  - b. Bank Reconciliation
9. **2025 – 2026 Municipal Year Meeting Timetable (Report Item 9)**

To consider the report presenting the draft 2025 – 2026 meeting timetable for approval.
10. **Planning**

To receive an update from the Planning Committee meeting held immediately prior to this meeting.
11. **Policies (Report Item 11)**
  - a) To note the report on the policy review timetable

b) To approve revised/additional policies

12. **Parish Council Grants 24-25**

To consider making a grant available for the Parish Magazine

13. **ESCC Grass Cutting Contract (Report Item 13)**

To decide an option for urban grass cutting in 2025/26.

**FOR NOTING:**

14. **Urgent Items** not on the Agenda which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency but not decision.

15. Reports:

- a) Chair of the Council
- b) Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
- c) Rights of Way and Highways
- d) Recreation Ground
- e) Tree Warden
- f) Downlands Estate Management Group
- g) Defibrillators
- h) Greensward Meeting
- i) Tripartite Meeting
- j) To note a report by the Clerk on progress made since the October meeting.

16. **Correspondence (Report Item 16)**

To discuss correspondence received, and to consider further action.

17. **Date of next meeting: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 7.30pm**

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- \* **Declarations of Interests** – Councillors are reminded to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or other Interests that they may have in relation to items on this Agenda. Notice should be given at this point in the Meeting of any intended declaration. The nature of the interest should be declared at the commencement of the item or when the interest becomes apparent. Members should remember to advise The Clerk of any changes to their declared interests, as they arise.

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