

Cotton End Parish Council

To: All Parish Councillors

I, the Council's Proper Officer, hereby summons you to attend a meeting of Cotton End Parish Council to be held at the **Village Hall Social Club** on **Thursday, 11 June 2026 commencing at 7.30pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

(Members of the Public and Press are invited to attend.)

Date: 5 June 2026



V W Hislop
Clerk to the Council

A G E N D A

26/072 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

- i. To receive apologies.
- ii. To consider approval of the reason(s) for absence.

26/073 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- i. To receive any declaration of interests not already declared under the Council's Code of Conduct or Members' Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- ii. To receive, consider and decide upon any application for dispensation.

(Members should disclose any interest in the business to be discussed and are reminded that, unless granted a dispensation (the request for which has been submitted in writing), the disclosure of an interest will require them to withdraw from the meeting during discussion of that item.)

26/074 MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2026 as a true and accurate record (attached).

26/075 PUBLIC SESSION

Members of the public are invited to ask questions, make statements or present a petition on any matter on the agenda for this meeting, or on any matter that falls within the Council's powers, subject to procedures set out in the Council's Standing Orders. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes, with any individual contribution last-

ing a maximum of 3 minutes.

- 26/076 UNITARY AUTHORITY REPORT**
To receive any report from the Principal Council's Ward Elected Member(s).
- 26/077 PLANNING**
i. New applications: none.
ii. Applications decided by Bedford Borough Council: none.
- 26/078 FINANCE AND RELATED MATTERS:**
i. To receive the bank reconciliation (to follow).
ii. To approve the accounts to be settled (to follow).
iii. To receive the 2025/26 reports from the internal auditor (attached) and an oral report from the Clerk.
- 26/079 CRIME STATISTICS AND SPEED CAMERA DATA**
To note crime and speed camera data released since the last meeting (latest crime statistics and January to March speeding data distributed previously).
- 26/080 REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL MATTERS**
i. To note the completion of the installation of the new bench.
ii. To consider Christmas lighting for 2026 and approve the quotation (attached).
iii. To agree the proposed playing field maintenance work to the Wood Lane to Meeting Close footpath boundaries and around the commercial waste bins.
- 26/081 HIGHWAYS RELATED MATTERS**
i. To note the placing of a purchase order for the installation of the speed sign agreed at the last meeting.
- 26/082 CORRESPONDENCE**
Email from Peter Simons to Cllr Merel dated 19 May 2026 (forwarded to all previously).
- 26/083 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
(For the exchange of information only; no decision making is permitted.)
- 26/084 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**
9 July 2026.