

MEPPERSHALL PARISH COUNCIL



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J Parsons (Chairman), W Addy, R Avrili, T Choksi, J Marsh, P Merryweather, P Russell, J Thompson, L Wright, and R Zavacky

You are hereby summoned to attend an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council of Meppershall on 9th February 2026 staring at 7:00pm in the Village Hall, Walnut Tree Way, Meppershall, SG17 5AB.

Members of the press and public are invited to attend.

Ms. A Marabese
Clerk to Meppershall Parish Council

MEETING AGENDA

1249. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	7:00pm
1250. CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:03pm
a. Notice regarding openness and transparency of meeting.	
b. To resolve to extend the meeting finish time beyond 2 hours.	
c. Other information.	
1251. MEMBERS INTERESTS*	7:07pm
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 receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any).	
c. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.	
1252. PUBLIC SESSION	7:10pm
The Chair will suspend Standing Orders for a period of up to 30 minutes to receive community reports from:	
a. Ward Councillor.	
b. Village organisations.	
c. to receive questions from the public sent to the Clerk, and	
d. to allow members of the public to address the Council in relation to items on the agenda or request matters to be discussed at a subsequent meeting with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 3 minutes. Members of the public should address their representations through the Chairman of the meeting and should indicate a request to speak by raising their hand.	

1253. MINUTES 7:25pm

- a. To receive and approve distributed minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Meppershall Parish Council held on Tuesday, 27th January 2026.

1254. PROCEDURES, CONSULTATIONS & LEGAL

- a. Strategy Focus** 7:28pm
 - i. To confirm strategy focus working groups and way forward.
- b. Procedures** 7:35pm
 - i. To review NALC governance checklist and actions arising.
 - ii. To approve Honorary Freedom of the Parish v2.0.
 - iii. To re-approve
 - 1. Biodiversity Policy v1.0.
 - 2. Asset Register Policy v1.0.
 - 3. Reserves Policy v1.0.
 - 4. Investment Policy v1.0
- c. Stocken House** 7:45pm
 - i. Update on identified issues, risks, meetings and actions required regarding land transfer to include revised play area layout and standpipe alternative.
- d. IT and Communications** 7:48pm
 - i. Update from the Clerk

1255. FINANCE

- a. Purchase Orders / Contracts** 7:51pm
 - i. Pruning of ORM Community Orchard.
 - ii. 25kg bags of Potassium Sulphate and Blood Fish and Bone at £65.
 - iii. Training courses via both NALC and BAPTC at £35 each.
 - iv. To approve all other purchase order requests.
- b. Document approval** 7:55pm
 - i. To approve journal entries, bank reconciliations and bank statements.
- c. Orders for the payment of money** 8:00pm
 - i. A schedule of payments will be distributed at the meeting for approval and authorisation.

1256. PLANNING AND HOUSING

- a. Applications since last Council meeting for consideration.** 8:05pm
 - i. CB/25/04030/OUT - Land East of Greenway, Campton - Outline Application: Residential development up to 260 dwellings, including self-build, open space, NEAP, LEAP, community allotments, landscaping, drainage features and associated infrastructure. Vehicular access sought from Greenway, all other matters reserved except access.
Comments by 13th February.
- b. To consider attendance at CBC Development Management Committee meeting on 11th February** 8:10pm regarding planning application CB/25/00338/OUT - Land at and adj. to Aco Technologies Plc, SG17 5TE - Outline Application: Erection of up to 11, 212m² of Use Class E(g)/B2/B8 floorspace with associated access, parking, landscaping, drainage and ancillary works. All matters reserved except means of access.
- c. To consider writing to CBC to request what steps the local authority is taking to counter developer claims that the authority has no five-year land supply in place.** 8:15pm

- d. To consider writing to Rt. Hon. Alastair Strathern to highlight concern 8:20pm regarding sections within the proposed NPPF 2025 (sections H02, H03 and Annex D) that cover housing calculations and supply.

Note: For planning applications that are submitted between meetings and for which an extension to the comment's deadline date is not given, powers have been delegated to the Clerk (with a proposed response circulated to the Council) to submit comments to CBC Planning.

1257. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- a. Update from Clerk and Mr Pain. 8:25pm

1258. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

- a. Update on Highways issues. 8:30pm

1259. ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE

- a. Update on Allotment Access Track Agreements. 8:35pm
- b. Update on allotments. 8:40pm
- c. To agree works to ORM Community Orchard with volunteers. 8:45pm
- d. Update on all other environment and leisure issues. 8:50pm

1260. STAFF MATTERS

- a. Allotment Co-ordinator update. 8:55pm

1261. CLOSE OF THE MEETING

9:00pm

*Notes on declarations of interest. Any Member arriving after the start of the meeting is asked to declare pecuniary interests, as necessary, as soon as practicable after their arrival, even if the item in question has been considered. National rules about pecuniary interests are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and in secondary legislation made under the Act, in particular The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

TIMINGS – All timings are indicative only

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS - The next two Parish Council meetings will be Ordinary meetings on 9th March and 13th April 2026. The cut-off time for the receipt of papers for the March meeting agenda is 5 p.m. on 25th February 2026.