



To: All Parish Councillors, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972, you are hereby summoned to attend the next meeting of Bobbing Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 4th March 2026 at 19.00

The meeting will be at:

The Village Hall, Sheppey Way, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 8PL
Sarah Poole Clerk and RFO to Bobbing Parish Council FSLCC 27.02.26

AGENDA – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - In accordance with Standing Orders

Meetings are recorded as per Standing Orders

At the start of the meeting the Chairman will confirm if all or part of the meeting is being audio recorded. The whole of the meeting will be recorded, except where there are confidential or exempt items.

- BPCM25/26 – 193 Welcome and Apologies for Absence
Cllr. Watson as she is on Mayoral duties, Cllr. Blake-Knowles personal reasons.
Cllr. N. Twardochleb maternity leave.
- BPCM25/26 – 194 Public Session
as per our Standing Orders 3 f, g & h and shall not exceed 30 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting. An individual member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.
- BPCM25/26 – 195 To receive any report from Borough Councillor
Cllr. Mike Baldock, Cllr Ann. Cavanagh, Cllr. Lloyd Chapman, Cllr. Roger Clarke and Cllr. James Hunt.
- BPCM25/26 – 196 To receive any report from County Councillor
To receive a report from Cllr. R. Palmer (Kent County Councillor – Swale West).
- BPCM25/26 – 197 To receive any report from:
PC Topham (covering Borden and Grove Park)
PC Skye Williams (Iwade and Bobbing)
PC Jacob Boosey (Archers Park and The Meads)
- BPCM25/26 – 198 For Members to make or receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests in regard to any items on the agenda under the Council's adopted Code of Conduct

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- BPCM25/26 – 199 Approval and Adoption of Minutes from the previous meetings Minutes of the Council Meeting on 4th February 2026.
- BPCM25/26 – 200 Matters arising from the minutes not covered by other agenda items.
- a. **Kitchen quote – Bobbing Village Hall**
Update to be provided by Cllr. R. Richardson
 - b. **Report from Cherished Services – Bobbing Village Hall**
 - c. **Laptop for the Clerk**
Update on replacement laptop as orders been cancelled by supplier.
- BPCM25/26 – 201 Community Engagement
- a. **Feedback on Repair Café and Friendship Café**
Repair Café held on 14th February 2026 (second Saturday of each month, 10.00–14.00) which we had KCC Environmental and Circular Economy Officer present.
 - b. **Report on Loneliness Project (Friendship Café)**
Session held on 28th February 2026 (10.30–12.30); project continues on the last Saturday of each month
 - c. **Newsletter information**
This will be ready for collection on 6th March 2026.
 - d. **Allotment Project**
To note commencement on 28th March 2026 (11.00–13.00)
 - e. **Litter Picking Project**
Feedback from the litter pick on the 28th February a request from St Bartholomew Church to join them on the 21st March for the British Spring Clean rather than do ours on the 28th March.
- BPCM25/26 – 202 General matters raised by Parish Councillor’s Reports for discussion.
- BPCM25/26 – 203 Financial Statement and Authorisation of Payments
- a) The Clerk will make payments under the delegated powers of the Clerk/RFO and to seek approval of any additional payments as necessary.
- BPCM25/26 – 204 Planning Application – viewable on: Swale:
<http://pa.midkent.gov.uk/onlineapplications>;
- a. **Just for note:** Application No: 22/503654/EIOUT Location: Land To The West Of Bobbing Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8QL Proposal: Outline application (all matters reserved except for access) for a mixed used development comprising up to 2,500 dwellings, a 5.21 ha commercial employment zone including doctors' surgery, a 4.35 ha sports hub (and sports pitches), 3FE primary school, community facilities, local retail provision, public open space, children's play areas and associated parking, servicing, utilities, footpath and cycle links, drainage, ground and other infrastructure.



- b. Planning Application Ref. No: 25/503683/OUT **Outline application (with all matters reserved except access) for a residential development comprising up to 152no. dwellings, including erection of a retail store with flats above and a building for Class E use, with associated access from Quinton Road.**
Land Adjacent To Quinton Road And Sheppey Way Bobbing Kent ME9 8QP

BPCM25/26 – 205 Appeals:

BPCM25/26 – 206 Consultations

Local Government Reorganisation in Kent and Medway, Government ministers are consulting on proposals to replace existing councils in Kent and Medway with fewer, larger unitary authorities delivering all services in each area.

Residents are invited to respond via:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/local-government-reorganisation-in-kent-and-medway/proposals-for-local-government-reorganisation-in-kent-and-medway>

The consultation closes at 11.59pm on Thursday 26 March 2026.

BPCM25/26 – 207 Correspondence

- a) Swale CVS – Loneliness Community Champion Training
- b) Bobbing Parish Council Website
- c) A249 Traffic Management
- d) Key Street Newsletter – February 2026
- e) The Circuit – Defibrillator check at Grove Park
- f) Kent Resilience Team – Proposal to establish a Parish Council working group
- g) Thank You Gathering – Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds
- h) Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government – National Planning Policy Framework Consultation

Consultation closes at 11.45pm on 10th March 2026.

Consultation draft text: National Planning Policy Framework: draft text for consultation

Supporting material: National Planning Policy Framework: proposed reforms and other changes to the planning system – GOV.UK

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- i) SWEEEP and Bobbing Repair Café – Introduction
- j) Bobbing Primary School and Bobbing Repair Café – Introduction
- k) e-Waste Warriors Project – Repair Initiative
- l) Enfinium Grant – Repair Cafés
- m) Repair Café Conference – Save the Date (19 June 2026, 12.00–15.00)
- n) Request for funding for the Village Hall from Cllr. Randall and Cllr. Richardson

BPCM25/26 – 208 Training Reports

BPCM25/26 – 209 Reports from representatives

- a) Village Hall Committee – 23rd February
- b) KALC Rural Parishes – 16th February 2026
Cllr. N. Twardochleb and the Clerk
- c) Friends of Rose Hill – Cllr. M. Baldock
- d) The Meads Community Woodland – Report if available
- e) Joint Transportation Board – 9th March 2026 (Cllr. S. Chapman)
- f) Western Area Committee – 12th February 2026
Cllr. R. Richardson, Cllr. M. Bencych
- g) Swale Liaison Forum – 9th February 2026, 19.00 (online)

BPCM25/26 – 210 Recommendations to next Full Council

BPCM25/26 – 211 Dates of Next Meeting: 1st April 2026

BPCM25/26 – 212 Closure of Meeting