

Preston Parish Council

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Thursday 9th July 2026 at 8.00pm
Village Hall, School Lane, Preston, SG4 7UE

To Cllrs: S Anderson, J Buckland, M Burleigh, J Clark, A Morecroft, H Page, M Trinder (Chair)

Councillors are respectively summoned to attend this meeting for the transaction of business in the agenda below. The meeting is open to members of the public and press.

Lisa Lathane, Clerk to Preston Parish Council – 2nd July 2026



AGENDA

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence.
2. Chairman's Remarks
3. Declarations of interest
4. To adopt minutes of the previous meeting
5. To consider matters arising from the previous minutes not already on the agenda
6. To adopt the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting
7. To consider matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting
8. To adopt the minutes of meeting 08 April 15 2026
9. Finance
 - a. To authorise non-contractual payments and note payments to date
 - b. To authorise the signing of the Bank Reconciliation
 - c. To review the 2026/27 budget
10. Planning
 - a. To consider any new planning applications
 - b. To note decisions and appeals
 - c. To consider any other planning matters pertinent to the Parish Council
11. Blue Plaque at Spindle Cottage - update
12. To review and adopt:
 - a. Standing Orders
 - b. Financial Regulations
 - c. Safeguarding Policy
 - d. Document and Retention Policy
13. Church Meadow Playground Update
14. Recreation Ground Land Registration update
15. Pavilion Working Party update
 - a. To note the Written Report from the Working Group
 - b. **Resolution** - To accept the quote for VAT advice from the Steve Parkinson Partnership, specialists in VAT advice for Parish Councils, to enable the Pavilion Working Group to make a recommendation on the pavilion. The quote is to provide advice on the VAT implications of the proposed pavilion extension or replacement, including options available to maximise VAT recovery, for a fixed fee of £1,450 plus VAT. This amount will be a very small percentage of the overall cost of the project.
16. Pavilion and Recreation Ground
17. Hertfordshire Highways Update

Next scheduled meetings: Parish Council meeting: 3rd September 2026 8pm

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18. Parish Paths Partnership
19. Review of Annual Parish Council meeting
20. Clerk's Report (information only)
21. Correspondence received
22. Matters for future consideration
23. Date and time of next meeting: 3rd September 2026 at 8pm