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The Annual Parish Council Meeting of Purley on Thames Parish Council will be held in the Small Hall at The Barn, Goosecroft at 6.00pm on Tuesday 19 May 2026 for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting, except during any item deemed confidential and held in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

Sharon Way

Clerk to Council

14 May 2026

AGENDA

- P26/53** **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN** – To elect a Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year and receive the Chairman’s Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- P26/54** **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN** – To elect a Vice Chairman for the ensuing year and receive the Vice-Chairman’s Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- P26/55** **COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION** – To resolve to agree the co-option of Mr Nigel Sears to fill a vacancy on the parish council.
- P26/56** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To resolve to formally accept Cllr White’s apologies for absence on personal grounds, in accordance with Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972, covering the period of absence to date and for up to six months from 19 May 2026.
- P26/57** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – *To receive any declarations of interests from Members on the business about to be transacted.*
- P26/58** **PUBLIC FORUM** – *statements or questions from members of the public limited to five minutes per person, up to a maximum of 20 minutes.*
- P26/59** **MINUTES** – **of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 March 2026**
- P26/60** **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting 10 March 2026**
(not otherwise on the agenda)
- P26/61** **MINUTES** – **of the EGM 24 March 2026** to be approved as circulated.
- P26/62** **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES of EGM 24 March 2026**
(not otherwise on the agenda)
- P26/63** **MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTION**
- P26/63-1** **To adopt the Standing Orders (including ToRs for committees) – draft provided**

P26/63-2 To adopt the Financial Regulations – *draft provided*

P26/63-3 To adopt the Freedom of Information Publication Scheme – *draft provided*

P26/63-4 To appoint Standing Committees and the members appointed to them.

Allotments & Village Amenities	Barn & Burial	Finance & Governance
Planning	Recreation	

P26/63-5 To appoint a Chairman of the Allotments & Village Amenities Committee

P26/63-6 To appoint a Chairman of the Barn & Burial Committee

P26/63-7 To appoint a Chairman of the Finance & Governance Committee

P26/63-8 To appoint a Chairman of the Planning Committee

P26/63-9 To appoint a Chairman of the Recreation Committee

P26/63-10 To resolve to require the Chairman of the Council and Head of the HR Working Group to conduct a review of the performance of the Clerk and keep a written record of it, as required by Standing Order 19 (c).

P26/63-11 To resolve to create an Annual Community Award to be presented each year to a selected candidate/team at the Chairman's Reception – *see attached motion paper.*

P26/63-12 To resolve that the Council applies for a Certificate of Lawfulness for Existing Use or Development to formally confirm the lawful commencement of the approved development at Goosecroft Recreation Ground under planning permission 23/00697/FULMAJ – *see Clerk's report for further detail.*

P26/63-13 To resolve as recommended by the Barn & Burial Committee (B&B 26/06-1) that:

- i. the existing budget allocation of £12,000 for replacement chairs be approved for use in the provision of chairs and associated furniture for the Barn;
- ii. subject to the availability of sufficient funding, approval be given to proceed with the purchase of chairs, tables and associated items within the total available budget; and
- iii. authority for the final specification and selection of furniture be delegated to the Barn & Burial Committee.

P26/64 To confirm the working groups and the members appointed to them.

Emergency Plan	Goosecroft Project	Grants	HR
IT	Neighbourhood Plan	Community Award	

P26/65 To appoint Parish Council representatives to the following local and outside organisations for the ensuing municipal year, with representatives to report back to Council meetings as appropriate.

AWE Liaison	BALC/NALC	Friends of Purley Barn	Memorial Hall
NAG	Pangbourne Vol. Group	Purley Riverside Club	PSSC
PSG	Trentham Bowling Club		

P26/66 MEETING DATE SCHEDULE

To agree the meeting date schedule for the year, as circulated with the agenda. These dates are intended to be followed as closely as possible but may be subject to change.

P26/67 REVIEW OF DOCUMENTATION

To note the summary of the following items circulated with the agenda, in accordance with Standing Orders 5(j):

- Assets and land
- Insurance cover
- Council and staff subscriptions
- Employment policies and procedures
- Section 137 expenditure

P26/68 READING BOROUGH COUNCIL BOUNDARY PROPOSALS

To discuss Council's position on Reading Borough Council's boundary proposals as part of the Local Government Reorganisation process.

P26/69 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

P26/70 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

P26/71 CLERK'S REPORT

P26/72 COMMITTEE REPORTS (if any)

Allotments & Village Amenities
Barn & Burial
Finance and Governance
Planning
Recreation

P26/73 WORKING GROUP REPORTS (if any)

Emergency Planning
Goosecroft Project
Grants
Human Resources (If any, to be considered as confidential business)
IT
Neighbourhood Plan
Community Award

P26/74 COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS (if any)

AWE Liaison
BALC/NALC
Friends of Purley Barn
Memorial Hall
Neighbourhood Action Group
Pangbourne Volunteer Group
Purley Riverside Club
Purley Sports & Social Club
Purley Sustainability Group
Trentham Bowling Club
Any Other Ad Hoc Councillor Reports

P26/75 DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING :

Monday 15 June 2026 **Parish Council Meeting**