



SUMMONS AND AGENDA

To All Members of The Council:

Councillor K Turner-Burgin (Chair)

Councillor K Clarke

Councillor D Hammock

Councillor A Munday (Vice-Chair)

Councillor J Turner-Burgin

Councillor S Weeks

Councillor T Williams

You are summoned to attend the
Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on:
Monday 13th July 2026, 7:00pm
Bean Village Hall
High Street, Bean DA2 8AS

For the purpose of transacting the business as detailed on the attached
agenda

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AGENDA
BEAN PARISH COUNCIL
Monday 13th July 2026
at 7.00pm
at
Bean Village Hall

Members to note that following a resolution passed at the October 2010 Meeting, Item 7, and in accordance with Standing Orders 12a the Minutes of the previous meeting will be taken as read.

	Agenda Item
1	<u>Apologies for absence</u> Have been received from Cllr. Weeks.
2	<u>Declarations of interest</u> 2.1 To receive any updates to the Register of Interests 2.2 To receive any declarations of interest against an agenda item. 2.2.1 To NOTE that Cllr. Hammock sits on DBC Development Board and therefore will refrain from any discussions or decisions regarding planning matters.
3	<u>Public Participation (Local Government Act, s 100)</u> The council meets and makes its decisions in public. A council meeting is not a public meeting. It is a meeting held in public and there is no requirement in law which allows members of the public to speak at such meetings. However, the council is keen to encourage public attendance at meetings and will therefore provide an opportunity to local registered electors to show it is committed to community engagement. A maximum of 3 minutes is allowed per person to speak and the total length of time afforded for public participation at each meeting shall be no more than 10 minutes, subject to an extension of this time, in exceptional circumstances, being agreed by the Chairman.
4	<u>Minutes</u> 4.1 To APPROVE the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th June 2026 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council. <i>RECOMMENDATION:</i> <i>That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th June 2026 be approved and adopted as a true record</i>
5	<u>Items for Consideration</u> The Chairman will announce his decision as to whether any items received for consideration since agenda production, are suitably urgent to be discussed at the meeting, and indicate their position on the agenda.
6	<u>Correspondence</u> To note the following items of correspondence

	- Rural Services Bulletin 9, 16, 23, 30 June, 7 July - RSN Monthly Rural Funding Digest - During hot weather DBC bin collections will commence at 0530hrs - Reminder of KCC Budget Consultation 30 June to 7 September 2026 https://letstalk.kent.gov.uk/budget-consultation-2027-28?utm_source=Kent+County+Council&utm_campaign=37381c5d85-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2025_07_03_02_15_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-e1320a9e23-603719350 - Following protests from firefighters and concerns raised by the Fire Brigades Union (FBU), the governing body will meet on August 6 to vote on whether to launch the public feedback process on KFAR proposals as follows. • Closing five standalone on-call fire stations. • Removing attached on-call sections from four wholetime stations. • Relocating two fire engines at night to create an additional three fire engines during the day – placing them at stations across the county to meet daytime demand which is higher than at night. • Dartford fire station currently has two wholetime fire engines available day and night. The proposal is to change this to two fire engines during the day and one at night. - Communication from Southfleet PC <i>Following the social media post regarding a proposed Data Control Centre in Southfleet Parish on Friday 3rd July, concerned residents attended the Parish Council Meeting last night. The Chairman of the Parish Council explained that the Parish Council had not been informed of the proposal, it has not been officially submitted and there were no details available at that point. Dartford Cllr Jeremy Kite attended, and the Chairman invited him to give some guidance on the planning process. It was agreed that this proposal would have a significant impact on Southfleet and its surrounding countryside and when more details are made available, all parties involved should work together in a combined effort to discuss and formulate their objections to the proposal.</i> <i>With this in mind the Parish Council would like to invite you to join them to liaise and discuss this proposal in the form of sharing ideas, skills, communicating with residents and joining discussion meetings. Please let me know if you would be interested to work together on this.</i>
7	<u>KALC/SLCC/NALC</u> 7.1 New Devolution Page https://www.kentalc.gov.uk/devolution 7.2 Correspondence from KALC/NALC - Chief Executives Bulletin - KALC July newsletter 7.3 KALC – Dartford Area Committee The meeting will be held on Monday 27th July from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm. 7.4 NALC – Project keystone Project Keystone is a strategic review of the National Association of Local Councils and our relationship with county associations, designed to inform the future direction, role and strategic priorities of sector support for parish and town councils. The survey takes approximately 30 minutes to complete and will close on 5 June https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=hZOzSivyGUCCagVjWFgmOJNFQrnt-n9ImFbyCy0aRsxUQU9GTFawMzZBRlc3VUZPSjhQWUozQVBOVi4u&utm_campaign

	=Project%2BKeystone%2BSurvey%2BLaunch&utm_medium=email
8	<u>GDPR and Governance compliance</u> No matters to consider at time of publication
9	<u>Consultations & Public Engagement Events</u> No matters to consider at time of publication
10	<u>Kent Police</u> 10.1 Surgery for 11/09/2026 at 1500 hours at LONGFIELD COSTA 10.2 To RECEIVE Cllr. Williams report on her attendance at the IAG Meeting held on on 2nd June 2026.
11	<u>Planning</u> To NOTE the following 11.1 Weekly planning lists from DBC including Planning Decisions taken under delegated powers 11.2 Weekly planning lists from EDC 11.3 DA/26/00539/FUL 5 Foxwood Road Bean Kent DA2 8BH Erection of a first floor side extension, single storey rear extension and enlarged porch: Change of materials to the roof and walls This application has been REFUSED The proposed side and rear extension would result in a harmful overbearing and overshadowing impact on the external amenity space of No. 3 Foxwood Road due to its siting, depth, orientation and height. As such the development is contrary to Policies DP5 and DP7 of the Dartford Development Policies Plan and policies M1 and M10 of the Dartford Local Plan to 2037 To CONSIDER 11.3 26/00735/FUL 87 Stonewood Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a singlestorey rear extension
12	<u>Highways</u> 12.1 Virtual Road Safety & Active Travel Group (RSATG) Seminar (Thursday 9 July 2026) has been recorded and will be distributed to parish Councils in due course. To note the following questions raised. Q: Why is there no input from insurance companies regarding accident data and why are they not part of this partnership? A: We have been trying to get this info for many years. They are often not open to share info. We are working with national government to remove this barrier nationally so all have access to insurance data. SK - Kent Police Q: Are we able to put a facility on the parish website to enable parishioners to record near misses? A: Tunbridge Wells Borough Council has a near miss reporting form. EA – Tunbridge Wells Borough Council A: We are looking to make damage only accident forms available online. The link can then be shared with parish councils. We will keep you informed of progress through the parish newsletter. SK - Kent Police Finally, one of the slides is of the A229 Maidstone Library Roundabout Junction.

	This could be a solution to the lane drifting problems on the A2 roundabouts using red lane demarcation. Certainly, worth considering. 12.2 To NOTE Road Safety & Active Travel Group Newsletter April – June 2026 12.3 To NOTE the email from West Kent Highway Improvements, Community Engagement, Road Safety Engineering Project Manager confirming receipt of funding <i>the Dartford (MN) - Southfleet Road, Bean 20 enhancements scheme this year 26/27.</i>
13	<u>Environmental Issues</u> No matters to consider at time of publication
14	<u>Footpaths</u> No matters to consider at time of publication
15	<u>Beacon Woods</u> 15.1 To note awaiting confirmation of June 2026 income from car-parking. Donations £40. 15.2 To ratify Order No. BPC/26-27/14 for 120m of Component Round top timber palisade fencing to be installed to a finish height of 1.2m around Trim Trail /Picnic area. Cost £6,880.50 + VAT, Quote Q-6015 from LJ Sinclair Fencing refers. 15.3 To APPROVE purchase, against proforma invoice, of 3 x Stark STK PTG6 picnic benches in picnic/trim trail area to match existing benches. Unit cost £1,030.81 + VAT from Furnitubes Ltd. Lead time 7/8 weeks. Delivery £293.73 15.4 To NOTE that 2 x camouflage cameras + battery pack have been purchased together with data only EE SIM card cost £13/month. 15.5 To NOTE the Forest School Pilot Discussion and costing summary and to receive a verbal report on the meeting between Bean School representatives and Cllrs Williams and Burgin and the Clerk held on Monday 13th July.
16	<u>Recreation Facilities</u> 16.1 Information post for keep fit equipment has been vandalised and now removed from the park. Awaiting replacement sign from supplier. 16.2 To NOTE reports of anti-social behaviour in the park involving children urinating on and around the equipment.
17	<u>Bean Village Hall</u> 17.1 PAT and EICR took place on 15th June 2026 and report received. Under H&S the Clerk has authorised the remedial work to be carried out as detailed in the estimate from Osborne Electrical, EST/7781 dated 17th June, cost £1,368 + VAT. The work will take place on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th July. 17.2 To review the H&S check from Peninsula. 17.3 British Gas have advised that from 3 August 2026, a levy and an additional network cost will be added to our electricity bill as a result of government policy. <i>The government and Ofgem, have introduced these additional charges to support the energy transition. They've been approved through the energy industry framework, and all suppliers are tasked with recovering the costs from customers to pass onto the network operators, the government and Ofgem.</i> <i>We do not set these costs ourselves.</i> <i>Your contracted electricity unit rates already include non-energy costs.</i> <i>These two additional costs were unforeseen when your contract was agreed, which is why they are being added now.</i> Account number: *****246 MPAN 1900014141620

	Contract start date 1 December 2025 Contract end date 30 November 2028 TNUoS RIIO-3 Charge Cost 1.440 p/kWh Estimated cost per month** £2.41 Nuclear RAB Levy Cost 0.480 p/kWh Estimated cost per month** £1.09 * This estimate is provided as a guide. It's based on an average micro business annual electricity use of 18,750 kWh, a 'TNUoS RIIO-3 Charge' of 0.63p/kWh and a 'Nuclear RAB Levy' of 0.475p/kWh. ** This estimate is provided to help you understand the likely monthly impact of these new non-energy costs. It is based on your meter, the industry forecast of your consumption and excludes VAT and CCL. 17.4 To receive a verbal report on Bean Together Tea Party held on Monday 13th July.																
18	<u>Allotment Association</u> 18.1 To receive a report on the Committee meeting held on 25 June 2026																
19	<u>Finance</u> 19.1 Balance as at 30 June 2026 on all accounts <u>Bean Parish Council (Co-op)</u> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Reserve Account</td><td>14,715.51</td></tr> <tr><td>Current Account (No. 1 account)</td><td>12,739.59</td></tr> <tr><td>Petty Cash</td><td>9.51</td></tr> <tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>27,464.61</td></tr> </table> <u>Bean Village Hall (Co-op)</u> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Current Account (No. 2 account)</td><td>24,455.65</td></tr> <tr><td>Petty Cash</td><td>1.82</td></tr> <tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>24,457.47</td></tr> </table> <u>Bean Parish Council (Unity Trust – Beacon Woods)</u> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Current account</td><td>9,263.69</td></tr> </table> Transactions on UT account since last meeting; Expenditure Website £4.79 C. Turner £290 TMS Protection (May) £352.47 TMS Protection (June) £341.10 BPC/Reolink £522.77 SWS Countryside £60,267.28 LJ Sinclair Fencing £4,128.30 Service Charge (May) £7.00 Income Deposit from cash donations (May) £40.00 Car Parking (May) £757.50 DBC CIL Grant £54,000.00	Reserve Account	14,715.51	Current Account (No. 1 account)	12,739.59	Petty Cash	9.51	TOTAL	27,464.61	Current Account (No. 2 account)	24,455.65	Petty Cash	1.82	TOTAL	24,457.47	Current account	9,263.69
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	19.2 Bank and Scribe reports up to 30 June 2026 To receive and discuss the following - Co-op Bank transactions on all accounts 1- 30 June 2026 - Bank reconciliation on all accounts as at 30 June 2026 to be agreed and signed - Monthly breakdown of receipts and payments - Net position by cost centre and code - Receipts and payments forecast - Summary of receipts and payments all cost centres and codes - Cost centre year comparisons
20	<u>Items of interest</u> 20.1 Chair's Items 20.2 Borough Councillor's Items 20.3 Members' Item 20.4 Clerk's Items To receive the Clerk's report
	<u>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</u> That, pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following item(s). No members of the press or public were present during discussion of the following item of business.
21	<u>HR Staffing</u> To review and approve: - Clerk's Statement of Main Terms of Employment - Employee Handbook - Statement of Main Terms of Employment example - Contract for Services – Contractor Sole Trader - Confirmation Assignment Note – Village Hall Caretaker - Confirmation Assignment Note – Recreation Ground Caretaker - Confirmation Assignment Note – Hall Cleaner/Private Hire Caretaker - 48 Hour Opt Out - GB Deductions from Pay Agreement - GB Training Agreement - GDPR Documentation Pack