

MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL, Thursday 19th May 2026, 20.00 at Village Hall

PRESENT/ Participants: Nigel Pringle (NP) Felicity Gillott (FG), Nicola Snell (NS); Michele Dawson (MD); Jeremy Jeffrey (JJ); Alexander Deal (AD); Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF) and members of the public

26.01 Apologies; SCC Cllr Stephen Molineux (SM), ESC Cllr Sally Noble (SN) left early due to other meeting commitments

26.02 Declarations of interest none

26.03 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

26.04 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 17th March 2026

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by JJ;

26.05 Public Participation

Members of public attending participated in discussion re

26.06 Membership update;

1) As per earlier AMC, Alexander Deal was co-opted to the Parish Council. John Jeffrey was elected chair, Felicity Gillott elected Vice Chair. Clare Reid and Nigel Pringle resigned as Chair/Vice Chair of the PC. The PC is grateful for their engagement and contributions to the PC over the past few years.

2) The areas of councillors engagement were as elected by the AMC;

Planning & Traffic JJ/NS/AD

Finance NS/MD/JJ

Environment FG/MD

Village Hall Committee FG

The PC has two vacancies, which will be filled as soon as the legal process has taken place. Both interested residents are experienced and committed individuals which will help the PC navigate the coming issues linked to development related issues as well as maintenance of the Playarea.

26.07 Highways

1) Clerk briefly updated re recent comments re hedge cutting along the B1078.

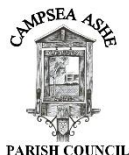
ILR saw a head on collision with police being called, reminding everyone of the unsuitability of that road for this level of traffic.

2) Clerk reported on upcoming meeting JPTI / ESC on Jul 30th. New member ADS will be briefed on background and current issues, which include the Call for Sites results for the Local Plan, cycling path issues and monitoring data. **KF**

26.08 Planning Matters / Energy Projects

1/ Clerk briefly updated on Call for Sites and will publish detail on next stages when they become available.

2/ The upcoming Southern Transport Forum (3rd June) will be attended by AD & MD. The PC raised queries re lack of engagement by SzC re the Traffic Monitoring results and the visual impact of the Southern Park & Ride, linked to a lack of planting of the bund. The issue of damaged verges on Ivy Lodge Road had been reported to SCC and SzC, but so far no repairs have been done. **KF**



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26.09 Play Area / Recreation ground

1/ no detailed discussion took place, due to time constraints.
Clerk will engage with new members re upkeep & repairs.

26.10 Village Hall

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26.11 Clerks Report

1 The PC agreed the 2025/26 Annual Governance and Accountability Return and approved the accounts for 2025 / 26.

2 The Internal Audit was reviewed and accepted.

Three minor issues relating to published documents will need to be addressed by clerk.

3 The PC resolved to keep working hours of clerk at 25hrs/mnth, with a review to take place once new members have become more active in their areas of engagement.

4 The PC resolved to move the July meeting, due to availability of clerk. Clerk to establish most suitable alternative date.

26.12 RFO Report

1/ RFO has produced the following statement

Balance on 01/04/26	£ 8973.28 in Community Account (Current)
	£ 3839.14 in Business Savings Account
	£ 12812.38

Payments received	£ 7129.46 ESC precept
	<u>£ 19941.88</u>

Expenditure approved

E27/1 Salary Clerk	K Fortmann	£ 753.00
	Total	£ 753.00

Expenditure Yr to date (= approved payments) £ 753.00

Balance after approved & uncashed chqs £ 19188.88

26.13 Correspondence received

- all relevant communication passed on to PC members

The clerk will send summary of meetings to all members, as PC acknowledges that members could be more active in partaking.

Date of next meeting to be held:

The next PC meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th July 2026, from 19.00 in Village Hall.

Bold red initialled (xx) points refer to specific actions to be undertaken

Klaus Fortmann, Clerk ; 28/05/2026