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**You are summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting on
 Wednesday 16 April 2025, 7.00pm at the Holmes Chapel Community Centre**

If members of the public are present, they may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at the beginning of Part 1 in respect of the business on the agenda

AGENDA															
<u>Declarations of Interest</u>	Members are encouraged to declare pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests as soon as they are aware of them														
Part 1- Public and Press present	The Chairman will invite members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda														
1) Apologies	To receive apologies for any absences														
For Decision															
2) Minutes	To approve the 19 February 2025 draft minutes														
3) Accounts	<p>Finances as of 01 April 2025:</p> <p>Account Balance: £33,759.36</p> <p>Payments to note since 01 March 2025:</p> <table data-bbox="558 1411 1388 1780"> <tbody> <tr> <td>NEST, Clerk Pension</td> <td>£56.89</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC, Tax</td> <td>£170.14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk Salary</td> <td>£643.53</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G Bell, Christmas Lights installation, reimbursement</td> <td>£350.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G Bell, Boundary Signs installation, reimbursement</td> <td>£875.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HCCC, Room Hire March 2025</td> <td>£41.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HCCC, Room Hire February 2025</td> <td>£41.25</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Receipts since 01 March 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £nil 	NEST, Clerk Pension	£56.89	HMRC, Tax	£170.14	Clerk Salary	£643.53	G Bell, Christmas Lights installation, reimbursement	£350.00	G Bell, Boundary Signs installation, reimbursement	£875.00	HCCC, Room Hire March 2025	£41.25	HCCC, Room Hire February 2025	£41.25
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	<p>Payments to approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £528.00 – Parish Online, website hosting and development
Discussion/Decision	
4) Cheshire East Ward Councillor report	To receive a report from Cllr John Wray
5) Savings Account	The Council should consider whether to open a savings account based on further research by the Clerk
6) Planning Applications	<p>25/0795/OUT Somersetford Park Farm: Outline approval for access matters for a proposed livery yard comprising a block of 20 stables and associated works, all other matters reserved. Deadline 16 April – extension requested</p>
7) Risk Register	The Council should review its Risk Assessment/Risk Register
8) Councillor Vacancies	To discuss progress with advertising the current vacancies.
9) Newsletter	An update on contributions to the next Newsletter
10) Rhead's Meadows	Updates on any recent developments
11) CWT proposals	The 'liaison group' of neighbouring parishes has discussed some Cheshire Wildlife Trust proposals for a series of Wildlife Corridors that could involve Somersetford. The Council is invited to discuss whether to get involved.
12) Blackfirs Wood	Updates on any recent developments.
13) Diversion of Footpath 2	Cheshire East Council is consulting interested parties about the diversion of the footpath that crosses the Anwyl Homes development (Somersetford Green).
14) Highways	To discuss any Highways issues of concern
15) Housing Developments	To update the meeting on housing developments within the parish.
16) Chairman and Members' Reports	Councillors will report on follow up to items discussed at the last meeting, or matters that have arisen since
17) Clerk's Report	The Clerk will report on any follow up to items covered at the last meeting as well as any future issues for discussion
Part 2 – no press or public present	The Council has Resolved that in accordance with the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 as extended by the Local Government Act 1972, section 100, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for discussion of the following

	items on the grounds that the publication of the matter would be prejudicial to the public interest or by reason of its confidential nature
Clerk's Appraisal	To receive a report from the Personnel Committee on the Clerk's annual appraisal and discuss any implications for salary costs

Carlton Evans, Clerk of the Council

Next meeting: 21 May 2025, 7pm Holmes Chapel Community Centre