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**Councillors: Geoff Bell, Jeanette Hardman, Simon Hughes, Trevor Massey, Bill Chorlton, Jake Saxton**

**You are summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting on  
 Wednesday 18 March 2026, 7.00pm at Holmes Chapel Community Centre**

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

<b>AGENDA</b>	
<b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>	Members are encouraged to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests as soon as they are aware
<b>Part 1- Public and Press present</b>	The Chairman will invite members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda
<b>1) Apologies</b>	To receive apologies for any absences
<b>2) Minutes</b>	To approve the 21 January 2026 draft minutes
<b>3) Cheshire East Ward Councillor Report</b>	To receive a report from Cllr John Wray
<b>4) Accounts</b>	<p><b>Finances as of 01 March 2026:</b></p> <p>Current Account Balance: <b>£70,906.85</b></p> <p><b>Receipts since 01 February 2026:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>£nil</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Payments to note since 01 February 2026</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>£54.00</b> – Parish Online mapping service</li> <li>• <b>£49.98</b> – Nest, Clerk’s Pension</li> <li>• <b>£188.25</b> – HMRC</li> <li>• <b>£191.69</b> - HMRC</li> <li>• <b>£187.35</b> – HMRC</li> <li>• <b>£489.60</b> – SCRIBE Accounting Package</li> <li>• <b>£436.50</b> – Mosswood, Fencing by Goodwins Pool</li> <li>• <b>£568.64</b> – Clerk’s February Salary</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Payments to approve:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>£386.40</b> - Streetscape for Blackfirs Wood</li> <li>• <b>£110.40</b> – Streetscape for Rhead’s Meadows</li> </ul>
<b>Discussion/Decision</b>	
<b>5) Councillor Vacancies</b>	To discuss how best to encourage people to apply for the vacant councillor posts
<b>6) Bank Mandate Changes</b>	To discuss signatories for the Council account in light of the departure of Paul Crompton
<b>7) Planning Applications</b>	<b>26/0537/VOC</b> Plot 3, Green Tree Farm (land Rear Of, 2 Chelford Road) Deadline 02 April
<b>8) Policies to review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants policy</li> <li>• Equalities Policy</li> <li>• Data Protection Policy</li> <li>• Document Retention and Disposal</li> <li>• Asset Register</li> </ul>
<b>9) Tree surveys</b>	To discuss possible tree surveys at Blackfirs Wood and Rhead’s Meadows. Using the same contractor as before the costs would be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blackfirs Wood - £850+VAT</li> <li>• Rhead’s Meadows - £550+VAT</li> </ul>
<b>10) Rhead’s Meadows</b>	Updates on any developments or issues for discussion
<b>11) Blackfirs Lane</b>	Parishioners have been in touch about the state of the triangle of land between Blackfirs Lan and the Holmes Chapel road, including the condition of the Council’s metal bench. To discuss possible action.
<b>12) Blackfirs Wood</b>	Updates on any recent developments or issues for discussion
<b>13) Cheshire East Planning Portal and traCE system</b>	To share experiences of using these two systems and whether to give any feedback to Cheshire East Council.
<b>14) Highways</b>	To discuss any Highways issues of concern.
<b>15) Housing Developments</b>	To update the meeting on housing developments within the parish
<b>16) Chairman and Members’ Reports</b>	Councillors will report on follow up to items discussed at the last meeting, or matters that have arisen since
<b>17) Clerk’s Report</b>	The Clerk will report on any follow up to items discussed at the last meeting or matters that have arisen since.

*Carlton Evans, Clerk of the Council: **Next meeting: 15 April 2026***