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**You are summoned to attend the Annual Parish Council Meeting on
 Wednesday 20 May 2026, 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	
1) Election of the Chair for 26/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To elect a Chair for the coming year To sign the Acceptance of Office
2) Election of the vice-Chair for 26/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To elect a vice-Chair for the coming year To sign the Acceptance of Office
3) Public Participation	The Chairman will invite members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda
4) Apologies	To receive apologies for any absences
For Decision	
5) Minutes	To approve the 15 April 2026 draft minutes
6) Accounts	Finances as of 01 May 2026: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Account Balance: £43,894.51 PSDF Balance: £50,069.92 Payments to note since 01 April 2026: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £49.98 – NEST, Clerk Pension £1,020.00 – N&J Douglas Bench Renovation £200.00 – Jonathan Douglas Boundary sign raising and Christmas lights £528.00 – Parish Online Web Hosting £69.12 TCS Payroll Management £187.35 – HMRC, PAYE

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £568.64 – Clerk Salary <p>Payments to approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None <p>Receipts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £27,500.00 – Precept first tranche
Discussion/Decision	
7) Cheshire East Ward Councillor report	To receive a report from Cllr John Wray
8) Risk Assessment	The Council should review its Risk Assessment/Risk Register
9) Insurance Policy Renewal	The Council's insurance policy is due for renewal on 1 June. The quote from Zurich is a premium of £516.77 – up from £425.88 last year. Council is invited to discuss this
10) Planning Applications	<p>26/1514/CLPUD Certificate of lawful development for proposed single storey rear extension. 63 Field View Road, Congleton,</p> <p>25/3451/PIP Appeal against the refusal of this application Construction of up to 5 no. dwellings Land adjacent to 33A Chelford Road</p>
11) Policies to Review	To review the Council's Financial Regulations
12) Somerford Footpath 2 Diversion	Cheshire East Council has approved the footpath diversion proposed by Anwyl as part of their housing development. We have the opportunity to object, should we wish to.
13) Registers of Members' Interests, Declarations of Interests	Councillors should consider whether their Registers of Interests need updating, and whether they need to seek a dispensation for any known agenda items for the next 12 months.
14) Newsletter	An update on contributions to the next Newsletter
15) Business Plan	To discuss an update to the Business Plan and the various projects that have previously been identified
16) Rhead's Meadows	Updates on any recent developments including a parishioner request to plant a commemorative tree
17) Blackfirs Wood	Updates on any recent developments.
18) Highways	To discuss any Highways issues of concern

19) Housing Developments	To update the meeting on housing developments within the parish.
20) Chairman and Members' Reports	Councillors will report on follow up to items discussed at the last meeting, or matters that have arisen since
21) 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

Carlton Evans, Clerk of the Council

Next meeting: 25 June 2025, 7pm Holmes Chapel Community Centre