

The Sampfords Parish Council

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All members of **THE SAMPFORD'S PARISH COUNCIL** are summoned to attend a **MEETING OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL** to be held at **The Sampfords Village Hall** on **21st April 2026 AT 7:15 PM** for the transaction of the business as set out below.

AGENDA

26/001 Apologies for Absence

26/002 Public Forum

The Public and Press are welcome to attend in accordance with the following council policies & procedures: Those wishing to speak or raise any issue are requested to do so at the public participation session at the beginning of the meeting with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest. In accordance with Standing Order 3(f) the maximum time allowed for this item is 15 minutes and in accordance with standing order 3 (g) a member of the public shall not speak for more than three minutes. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the council. In accordance with standing order 3(h), a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chair of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.

26/003 Members' Declarations of interest

To declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, other Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda having regard to the Code of Conduct for Members and having taken appropriate advice where necessary before the meeting. Please note: When Council starts to discuss any item on the agenda, where a member has an interest, the member with that interest must have regard to the Code of Conduct and make the necessary disclosure and where appropriate leave the meeting. Members with prejudicial interests will also not be permitted to speak and address the council on those interests.

26/004 Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17th March 2026 as a true record.

26/005 District & County Councillors Reports

To receive reports from both District and County councillors, discuss and agree any actions (if any)

26/006 Clerk's Report

- Council to consider date for Annual Parish Assembly – last year it was on the Parish Council meeting date in May (this year's May meeting is on 19th). **Date to be confirmed / approved by council**
- Chairman to prepare Annual Report
- Council to consider any other agenda items apart from the Chairmans's Annual Report.

26/007 Finance

Current Account Balance as of: 31/03/2026: £ 2,108.09

Reserves Account Balance as of: 31/03/2026: £16,519.37

- Approve and authorise payments for this month.
 - TreeWorx £2,180.00
 - CouncilWise £150.00 (+VAT)

- Community Heartbeat £70.95 (+VAT)
- Clerk's Expenses £103.89 (incl. £15.65 VAT)

26/008 **Planning**

- Receive report and decide what actions (if any) with regards to any parish applications for planning.
 - UTT/26/0127/FUL - St Michaels Church: Change of use of formally agricultural use land to burial ground

26/009 **Grants**

- Receive report and decide what actions (if any) with regards to:
 - Sampfords on Sustainability,
 - The 2025-26 London Stansted Airport Community Award
 - Community Grants from UDC

26/010 **Closed Churchyard**

- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to repositioning tombs and levelling area.
- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to the completion of Church trees surgery by TreeWorks.

26/011 **Recreation Ground**

- Receive report and decide what actions (if any) with regards to the Recreation Ground

26/012 **Grass Cutting and Trees**

- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to grass cutting in the villages.

26/013 **Highways and Footpaths**

- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to Highways & Footpaths

26/014 **Church Clock**

- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to future repairs / maintenance

25/015 **Liaison with the Village and Village Organisations**

- Receive update (if any) regarding activity with Village organisations.
- Receive update (if any) regarding Speed Watch activity

26/016 **Village Hall**

- Receive update and decide what actions (if any) with regards to the revision of the agreement

26/017 **Matters to be Raised by Members for the Next Agenda**

Please note that no decisions can lawfully be made under this item. LGA 1972 section 12 10(2) (b) states that business must be specified; therefore, the Council cannot lawfully raise matters for decision.

26/018 **Next Parish Council Meeting**

19th May 2026

26/019 **Meeting Close**

Signed... Kevin Kelson ... Clerk & RFO Dated 13th April 2026.