

Ilmington Parish Council

To: Cllrs Karen Peachey, Chris Plyming, Fiona Dakin, Lara Lowe, Malcolm Lowe, and Martin Underwood.

AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL ON **27 August 2026**, 7:30PM

You are hereby summoned to attend this meeting of the above named council, to be held at Ilmington Community Shop, Grump Street, Ilmington, Shipston CV36 4LE.

Dated this day, 21 August 2026

Pauline Rigby

Pauline Rigby, Clerk to the Council

The business to be transacted at the meeting is as follows:

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Declaration of Interests.
3. County and District Council Reports
4. **Public Forum:** *Members of the public are invited to address Council on any relevant matter for max. 3 minutes per person. 15 minutes in total is allocated to this item.*
5. **Confirmation of Minutes**
To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2026.
6. **Planning Applications:**
 - 6.1 To report planning decisions at variance with the views of the Council.
To consider council's response to planning applications:
 - 6.2 [26/01904/TREE](#): Crab Mill Grump Street Ilmington Shipston-on-Stour CV36 4LE - T54 - cypress - Fell. [...] T55 - cypress - Fell. [...] *Deadline: 21 Aug 2026*
 - 6.3 [26/01986/TREE](#): The Grey House Grump Street Ilmington Shipston-on-Stour CV36 4LE - G1 - ash - To remove overhanging branches from 3 ash trees from neighbouring property, back to the boundary. Labelled as 'A' on sketch plan. T1 - Portuguese laurel - To reduce a large Portuguese laurel by 50% (2m) to maintain its size and shape. [...] Labelled as 'B' on sketch plan. *Deadline: 7 Sept 2026*
 - 6.4 [26/02023/TREE](#): The Dower House Back Street Ilmington Shipston-on-Stour CV36 4LJ - T1 - Silver Maple - Fell G1 - 1x young ash and 1 x holly - Fell T2 - Holly - Fell T3 - Oak (semi-mature and in poor condition) - Fell T4 - Ash - Fell G2 - Poplar - Re-pollard T5 - Box - Fell T6 - Hornbeam – Fell. *Deadline: 10 Sept 2026*
 - 6.5 To deal with any applications notified since publication of the agenda.
7. **Ilmington Recreation Ground:**
 - 7.1 To consider a request from Ilmington Bowls Club to lay a gravel pathway behind the pavilion and reimburse them for the cost of the gravel.
 - 7.2 To consider employing a caretaker / warden for the recreation ground.
8. **Ilmington Tennis Courts:**
To re-consider the proposal for a padel court and determine whether the Parish Council is willing to submit a planning application in its own name, with the associated costs, plans and documents, to be provided by the project proposers.
9. **Village Greens:**
To report, under delegated authority, the instruction to Alex Lewis Tree Care to remove two cherry trees on Upper Green at a cost of £750 ex VAT.

10. **Grace's Playground:**
To receive the routine playground inspection reports and consider actions arising, including quotation for additional repairs from Playdale at cost of £1,003.54 ex VAT.
11. **Conclusion of Audit**
To receive the external auditor's report for the year ending 31 March 2026, and consider any actions or recommendations arising from the report.
12. **Finance & Admin:**
 - 12.1 To note income received of £703.75 from Water Plus and £1,264.50 as compensation for the damaged water pipe.
 - 12.2 To approve the bank reconciliation to 31 July 2026.
 - 12.3 To receive the budget monitoring report.
 - 12.4 To approve payments as per the schedule below.
13. **Correspondence:** (To consider response)
 - 13.1 To consider requests for additional mowing of verges to reduce fire risk.
 - 13.2 To consider resident's request to relocate a path on Upper Green.
14. **Member reports:** (For information only)
Report(s) by any members who attended any meeting or event on behalf of Council.
15. **Future Agenda Items:** (For information only): Biodiversity Policy & Action Plan
16. **Closed session:**
To exclude press and public in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 owing to the confidential nature of the business.
17. **Staff Matters:**
 - 17.1 Following the Clerk's appraisal, to consider the appraiser's recommendation to award the Clerk an increase of one salary point, to SCP 25.
 - 17.2 To approve the Clerk's attendance at the SLCC National Conference on 13-14 October 2026, with the cost shared pro-rata with another council, resulting in a cost of £137.50 to this Council.
18. **Next Meeting:** Thurs 24 September 2026, 7:30pm in Ilmington Community Shop Café.

Payments list

Date	Payee	In respect of	Amount
14-Jul	Playdale Playgrounds *	Repairs deposit	£ 612.92
30-Jul	Moore *	External audit fee	£ 378.00
31-Jul	Alan Gibson Heating & Plumbing	Showers decommissioning	£ 204.00
03-Aug	Lloyds Corporate Card ‡	Account fee	£ 3.00
03-Aug	Octopus Energy	Electricity charges	£ 82.13
07-Aug	Jane Wileman	Cleaning July	£ 78.25
10-Aug	M Whetren Heating	Boiler recommissioning	£ 150.00
11-Aug	InstantPrint ‡	Fire risk signs	£ 45.37
12-Aug	The Wright Signs & Graphics Ltd	Deposit on playground sign	£ 870.00
14-Aug	Asda Mobile ‡	SIM only bundle	£ 5.00
14-Aug	Sue Baker Pest Control	Wasp nest	£ 85.00
15-Aug	Pro Plumb Shipston	Emergency plumbing call-out	£ 150.00
17-Aug	Open Spaces Society *	Annual membership	£ 45.00
21-Aug	Pauline Rigby	Clerk's mileage 26Q2	£ 158.40
27-Aug	Zen Internet	Pavilion broadband	£ 34.80
31-Aug	Staff costs	August payroll and overtime	£ 1,163.79
31-Aug	Unity Trust Bank	Service charge	£ 7.00

* To be instructed ‡ Paid by card.

TOTAL £ 4,072.66

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