

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 **24 September 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, 18 September 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 28 August 2026.
6. **Committee Minutes**
To receive minutes of the Recreation Ground Committee meeting on 18 September 2026, and consider any recommendations from the committee.
7. **Planning Applications:**
 - 7.1 To report planning decisions at variance with the views of the Council.
To consider council's response to planning applications:
 - 7.2 [26/02119/LBC](#): Mabels Farmhouse Back Street Ilmington Shipston-on-Stour CV36 4LJ - Proposed rebuilding of chimney in brick. *Deadline: 23 Sept 2026.*
 - 7.3 [26/02239/TREE](#): Wharf Farm House Middle Street Ilmington Shipston-on-Stour CV36 4LS - T1 - snake skin maple - Fell. T2 - hawthorn - Fell. T3 - Prunus Padus - Crown thinning by 20%. Crown lift by 1 metre. T4 - walnut - Crown thinning by 20% and crown clean. T5 - mixed hedge - Reduce by 1-2 metres. *Deadline 28 Sept 2026*
 - 7.4 To deal with any applications notified since publication of the agenda.
8. **Village Gateways.**
To confirm that the Parish Council would like proceed with the procurement and installation of the village gateway improvements at an estimated total shared cost of **£16,650**, half of which is to be paid by the Parish Council.
9. **Other Highways Matters:**
 - 9.1 To receive an update regarding the petition calling for road safety improvements at the Darlingscott crossroads, and consider any actions arising.
 - 9.2 To consider and approve the proposed designs and quotations for signs directing to parking on Mickleton Road, if available.
 - 9.3 To discuss and agree bollards and/or signs to deter parking on grass verges.

10. **Benches:**
 - 10.1 To approve purchase and installation of a new memorial bench on Lower Green, paid for by the donor in accordance with the Council's Memorial Bench Policy.
 - 10.2 To agree whether to repair, replace or remove the memorial bench to Lydia Saunders, given that no family members have come forward.
 - 10.3 To consider suitable locations for a memorial bench for the Betteridge family.
11. **Ilmington Recreation Ground:**

To approve a job description and advert for the recreation ground caretaker / warden.
12. **Grace's Playground:**
 - 12.1 To receive the annual / routine playground inspection report and agree any necessary actions and expenditure arising.
 - 12.2 To consider quotation for quarterly operational inspections.
13. **Finance & Admin:**
 - 13.1 To note income received of £23,233.50 (second half of precept).
 - 13.2 To report transfer of £20,000 into the linked savings account.
 - 13.3 To approve the bank reconciliation to 31 August 2026.
 - 13.4 To receive the budget monitoring report.
 - 13.5 To note the NJC pay award of 3.3%, backdated to 1 April 2026.
 - 13.6 To approve payments as per the schedule.
 - 13.7 To review and update bank signatories.
14. **Asset Management Policy.**

To adopt an asset management policy.
15. **Strategic Risk Register:**

To review and update the strategic risk register.
16. **Member reports:** (For information only)

Report(s) by any members who attended any meeting or event on behalf of Council.
17. **Future Agenda Items:** (For information only):
18. **Next Meeting:** Thurs 29 October 2026, 7:30pm in Ilmington Community Shop Café.

Payments list

Date	Payee	In respect of	Amount
28-Aug	SLCC *	National Conference	£ 152.75
02-Sep	Lloyds Corporate Card ‡	Account fee	£ 3.00
02-Sep	Octopus Energy	Electricity charges	£ 127.44
03-Sep	Jane Wileman	Cleaning July	£ 76.25
05-Sep	Alex Lewis	Fell cherry trees	£ 900.00
09-Sep	Water Plus	Water charges	£ 254.25
14-Sep	Asda Mobile ‡	SIM only bundle	£ 5.00
16-Sep	Simon Healey Paddocks & Grounds*	Mowing cut 11	£ 475.20
27-Sep	Zen Internet	Pavilion broadband	£ 34.80
30-Sep	Staff costs	Sept payroll and backpay	£ 1,174.79
30-Sep	Unity Trust Bank	Service charge	£ 7.00

* To be instructed ‡ Paid by card.

TOTAL **£ 3,210.48**