

You are invited to attend a meeting of Tidenham Parish Council that has been arranged for **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.00pm in Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall, King Alfred's Road, Sedbury**, for the transaction of business according to the enclosed agenda.

Yours faithfully

*CA Hinton*

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*Note: Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Council and Committees, unless specifically excluded due to the confidential nature of the business. Members of the public can ask questions or make representation during item 4 but the council cannot make a decision on any matter which is not specified on the agenda.*

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## AGENDA

### 1. ATTENDANCE

- a) **To receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend.
- b) **To consider for acceptance** those apologies received with reasons for absence.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) **To receive Declarations of Interest** in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.  
*Interests may be declared at any time during the meeting should they become apparent.*
- b) **To consider any Dispensation Requests** received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a) **To consider for approval** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026.
- b) **To consider any questions** arising from those minutes.

### 4. PUBLIC CONSULTATION

**To receive and consider any questions from the Public**, which may be answered but not debated.

### 5. TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

**P0298/26/TPO** - 3 Piermont Drive, Tutshill, Chepstow, NP16 7EB.

Fell 1 x Oak covered by A2 of Tree Preservation Order number DFTPO 152 due to excessive decay in main stem.

### 6. TO REPORT ON PLANNING DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS (s101)

None.

### 7. TO CONSIDER HIGHWAY ISSUES

None.

### 8. POLICING IN THE PARISH

- a) **To note** Police crime statistics for Tidenham and Sedbury can be accessed following this link.  
[Tidenham and Sedbury | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](https://www.police.uk)

### 9. COMMITTEES

**To receive reports, minutes and recommendations from committees** and to consider any questions arising from them.

- i). Finance and Probity Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.  
Questions to Councillor Clive Russell, Chairman of the Committee.
- ii) Mopla Cottages Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.  
Questions to Councillor Clive Russell, Chairman of the Committee.
- iii) Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.  
Questions to Councillor Michael Swambo, Chairman of the Committee.

### 10. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**To receive and note any announcements from the Chairman** of the meeting.

- 11. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**  
**To note** reports from Chris McFarling and the District Councillors who may attend the meeting.
- 12. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**  
**To receive and consider the Parish Clerk's Report.** All items requiring the council to make a decision are specified separately on this agenda.
- 13. FINANCE**
- a) **To approve payments** according to the Financial Statement for February 2026.
  - b) **To receive and approve the Financial Statement** for February 2026.
  - c) **To receive and note** the Receipts / Payments spreadsheet to February 2026 as presented to the Finance and Probity Committee at the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.
  - d) **To receive and note** the Budget Monitoring Spreadsheet 2025/2026 as presented to the Finance and Probity Committee at the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.
  - e) **To consider** payment of the Kompan invoice for the toddler play area of £46,086.68 by the end of the financial year, subject to satisfactory completion and inspection of the project.
  - f) **To note** the employer contribution rate for the Gloucestershire Local Govt. Pension Scheme will reduce by 3% to 18.1% from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026.
- 14. EARMARKING OF FUNDS IN RESERVES – 2025/26 BUDGET**  
**To consider** earmarking of funds for the following amounts for work that was approved during the 25/26 financial year but has not yet been carried out / invoiced:
- a) £46,086.68 – S&BVH Toddler Play Area refurbishment. (Work may be completed, invoiced and paid before end of March 2026 – not to be included in earmarked funds if so (see 13e) above.)
  - b) £4,725 – Orchard Fundraising (grant application support).
  - c) £690 – The Music Bus.
  - d) £1404 – Futurecell – low energy lighting @ S&BVH.
  - e) £240 – WN Adams – replace CCTV camera.
  - f) £748.80 - Kompan – servicing of inclusive roundabout, Buttington Road.  
**(Total 25/26 earmarked funds = £53894.48 (inc. toddler play area cost.) (= £7807.80 if toddler play area cost paid before end of financial year.)**
- 15. RINGFENCING OF FUNDS IN RESERVES**
- a) **To consider** ringfencing of funds of £15,000 for future significant projects (originally reserves for HM Queen Platinum Jubilee projects 2022) for HM King Coronation Projects.
  - b) **To consider** ringfencing of funds of £2600 from the Tidenham Youth Programme Social Prescribing Fund for youth activities.
  - c) **To consider** ringfencing of previously earmarked funds of £1000 for refurbishment work on Ormerod Road roundabout.
  - d) **To consider** ringfencing of £6936 – Play equipment repairs / replacement from Amenities budget 2025/26.
  - e) **To consider** ringfencing of £7414 – from Tump Farm Solar community benefit 2025 for the Open Spaces Project.
  - f) **To consider** ringfencing of £1100 – Street Hardware from Amenities budget 2025/26 for noticeboard/defib cabinet replacements.  
**(Total ringfenced funds = £34050.00).**
- 16. AMENITIES COMMITTEE**
- a) **To consider** quotation from Shane Weldon of £130 to wash algae from yellow gates and green fence railings surrounding the infant playground at the front of Sedbury and Beachley Village, cost £130 no Vat.
  - b) **To consider** £286.27 + Vat price increase for grass cutting by Monmouthshire County Council in 2026 which represents 3.2% cost increase. Total cost based on agreed cut frequency for 2026 is £9,230.56 + Vat = £11,076.67.
- 17. FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL REVISED DRAFT LOCAL PLAN**  
**To consider** to consider the Revised Draft Local Plan for the District 2025-2045 and responses to the consultation.
- 18. CONSULTATION ON GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION PROPOSALS**  
**To note** responses submitted to the Government consultation on the three proposals from Gloucestershire.

**19. PAYPHONE KIOSK REMOVAL PROPOSAL - BT CONSULTATION**

**To consider** proposal from BT to permanently remove the payphone telephone kiosk from Coleford Road, Tutshill and the option to adopt the kiosk.

**20. OPEN SPACES**

**To receive** update on Open Spaces consultation on potential development of play area at Buttington Road site.

**21. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

**To note** email and report from Glos. Public Rights of Way Officer.

**22. CORRESPONDENCE**

**To receive and consider** any other correspondence as detailed in the Clerk's Report.

**23. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**To receive and note** any matters which councillors wish to raise and where appropriate add to the agenda for the following meeting or meetings of committees.

**24. FUTURE MEETINGS**

**To note** the dates of future council and committee meetings:  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Full Council meeting.

**\* Allows a period not exceeding fifteen minutes for members of the public to make statements and ask questions of the Council. This item does not preclude Suspension of Standing Orders by the Council to allow participation on Items on the Agenda:**

- i) Each person will be required to state their name and address.**
- ii) Each person will be allowed no more than three minutes plus a brief follow-up to any answers given by the Council.**
- iii) Questions may be answered but not debated by the Council.**
- iv) Any issues that the Council considers require consideration should be referred to the next meeting of the Full Council or one of its Committees.**