

NETLEY MARSH PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MEETING

Councillors are summoned to attend the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** to be held on **Wednesday 20th May 2026** at **7.00pm** at **Woodlands Road Community Hall**.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public are invited to ask questions or make statements during the first 10 minutes of the meeting. Any matter requiring a decision of the Council should be notified to the Clerk by the Wednesday before the meeting so that it can be added to the agenda.

AGENDA

1. To appoint a chairman for the year 2026/27
2. To witness the declaration of acceptance of office by the chairman
3. To receive apologies for absence and consider acceptance of any reasons given
4. To receive Declarations of interest
5. To appoint a Vice Chairman for the year 2026/27
6. To witness the declaration of acceptance of office by the vice-chairman
7. To consider all existing and any new committees and working groups for 2026/27
 - Conservation Area
 - Emergency and Resilience
8. To Review Terms of Reference for Committees – see appendix I
9. To appoint committees and representatives of the Council on other bodies

Appointment title	Representative 2025-2026	Representative 2026-2027
Parish Flooding Committee	Whole Council.	
Editor Parish Magazine – Outlook	NMPC Clerk/RFO	
Citizens Advice Bureau	Cllr J Shaw	
New Forest Consultative Committee	1st Cllr T Cook & 2nd Cllr S Merrill	
New Forest District Association of Local Councils	Cllr M Welbourn	

Hampshire Archives Trust	Cllr M Welbourn	
New Forest Council of Community Service	A representative will be appointed if and when the Council is notified of a meeting.	
Tree Warden (Parish Level watching brief)	Cllr M Welbourn	
Testwood Lakes	Cllr T Haysom	
Footpaths (2 representatives)	Cllr T Cook and Cllr T Haysom	
Woodlands Community Hall Committee	Cllr A Johnstone	
Planning Committee	Planning is now dealt with by full Council	
Lengthsman scheme monitor	Cllr A Johnstone	
New Forest Transport Forum	Mrs Shareen Barnett	
Bartley Village Hall Committee	Cllr Johnstone,	
Resilience Working Group	Cllr A Johnstone, Cllr Merrill	
Testwood Lakes	Cllr Cook, Cllr Haysom, Cllr Johnstone	

10. To consider and approve Standing Orders 2018: (available under Policies on the website <http://www.netleymarsh-pc.gov.uk/>) **what changes were made?**

11. To review the effectiveness of internal audit – is the internal audit: • Independent.
Competent, is the auditor related to any member or officer of the council. Does the auditor plan and report to Council in a satisfactory manner?

12. Deeds – all held at Hampshire Record Office

13. To Review the inventory of land and assets

14. To Review the insurance cover

15. To review the financial regulations (2024)

16. To consider the payment of annual subscriptions to: HALC: GIS: SLCC: NFALC: Hants Archives Trust: Information Commissioner/Data Protection and donation RBL/wreath £50.00

17. To Review Complaints procedure, requests under FOI and Data Protection Acts (available under Policies on the website)

18. To review the financial and other risk assessments

19. To review staff policies and recruitment and appointment procedures
 - a. NALC/JNC contract and terms
 - b. Clerk TH - LCI-14 on the new scale – RFO/Assistant Clerk - RC LCI-16
 - c. New RFO LCI-14
20. To note 1 May – 31 October is period for re-enrollment of pension arrangements, awaiting confirmation of the year.
21. Review of the Council's expenditure incurred under s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972.
22. To make arrangements with a view to the Council becoming eligible to exercise the general power of competence in the future; This will be confirmed once the new Clerk achieves CILCA qualification.
23. To Review policy on dealing with press/media
24. To consider the Calendar of Meetings – see Appendix 2
25. To consider what Time Meetings will take place
26. To fix the date and time of Annual Parish Assembly 2027
27. To remind members to review and if necessary update their Register of Interests
28. To determine the Chairman's allowance for the year
29. To Appoint the independent and competent Internal for the Auditor 2026-2027 accounts
 Internal Auditor currently
 John K. Murray, DMS., FCPFA – will not do it next year
 Taxation & Accountancy Services

30. Welcome

31. To receive apologies for absence and approve reasons for absence.

32. To consider comments from the Public – if necessary for inclusion in the next agenda

33. To accept declarations of interest

34. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Wednesday 15 April 2026

35. Planning

36. To consider the following planning applications: -

<u>26/00340FULL</u>	160, WOODLANDS ROAD, ASHURST, SOUTHAMPTON, SO40 7AP	Replacement dwelling; detached garage; associated landscaping; demolition of existing dwelling and car port	21.05.26
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36.ii To consider any other planning business

37. Reports

- 37.i County Councillors report including school transport
- 37.ii Health/School Transport questionnaire
- 37.iii District Councillors report

38. Matters arising – To consider/accept

38.i Local Government Re-organisation decision –

Netley Marsh Parish Council note that the decision made by The Secretary of State to adopt scheme known as 'option 1a' for the Local Government Reorganisation of Hampshire is not the preferred option of this parish council, nor is it the preferred option of New Forest District Council. This council hereby resolves to generally support measures that will avoid the New Forest District being split into separate unitary councils under the government's Local Government Reforms

38.ii Ringwood Road and flooding outcome of Cllr Penman's meeting

38.iii Speedwatch update

38.v Developments adjacent to the A36 – working group plans

39. To receive Member's reports on:

39.i Community Hall – presentation from Cllr Johnstone regarding funding for improvements to hall – garages and to build outside toilets

39.ii Outlook magazine

39.iii Play area and field – repairs and replacement seat

- Hampshire tree planting opportunity

40. Footpaths and Bridleways –

41. Lengthsman – To arrange walk of parish and agree work to do and update on work already agreed

42. Groundsman – Work to do/ Equipment report

Wood treatment over the summer months: fence, notice boards seats etc
Other work already agreed

43. Report of Working group on Play area

Developments in north of parish

Three year plan and

Future projects list and other matters

44. Clerk & RFO report – Update on RFO interviews

45. Correspondence

46. Finance

46.i To approve May online payments and consider other Finance Matters

46.ii Pension update

46.iii Transfers – Current Ac to Deposit ac

46.iv Deposit ac to high interest ac

46.v Handover arrangements to new RFO/Assistant clerk
Including banking signatory arrangements

47. Parish Matters –

i. Councillors' items

48. Items for the next agenda

49. Confidential business if any – approve appointment of new RFO/Assistant Clerk

NEXT MEETING : 17th June 2026 7.00pm at Woodlands Road Community Hall

*Tracy Hodgson - Parish Clerk
Wednesday 13th May 2026*