AVETON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

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AGENDA

Councillors are summoned to a meeting to be held on Thursday 8th October 2026 at 7:00pm in the Village Hall, Aveton Gifford for the purpose of transacting the business itemised below

1. **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
2. **To receive declarations of interest from Councillors relating to items on the Agenda**
3. **Open forum:** Public participation is limited to 30 minutes in total. Members of the public may make only one address to the Council of no more than five minutes' duration unless dispensation is given otherwise by the Chair. Members of the public wishing to address the Council are encouraged, where possible, to let the Clerk or Chair know prior to the meeting commencing.
4. **County Councillor's report:** To receive a report from the County Councillor
5. **District Councillor's report:** To receive a report from the District Councillor
6. **Minutes:** To approve the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 10th September 2026
7. **Update on progress from the minutes (not arising elsewhere):** Clerk / Chair to report on progress of outstanding items which do not require further decision.
8. **Planning**
   a) **Planning applications - to consider any new applications received from SHDC (applications received by Agenda publication are detailed below):**
   Application No: 2462/26/FUL
   Location: Barn At Sx 674 504 (Buckleys Harraton) Modbury
   Proposal: Conversion of barn to dwelling and associated works
   Response by: 22nd October 2026
   https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2462/26/FUL

   Application No: 2499/26/HHO
   Location: 16 Glebe Land Aveton Gifford TQ7 4LX
   Proposal: Conversion of internal garage to habitable space
   Response by: 3rd November 2026
   https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2499/26/HHO

   Application No: 2500/26/HHO
   Location: 17 Glebe Land Aveton Gifford TQ7 4LX
   Proposal: Conversion of internal garage to habitable space
   Response by: 3rd November 2026
   https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/2500/26/HHO

   b) **To receive results of decided applications: (decisions received by Agenda publication are detailed below):**
   Application No: 2187/26/HHO
   Location: The Old Rectory Aveton Gifford TQ7 4LG
   Proposal: Erection of rear extension
   Decision: Approved
9. **Parish Matters**
   a) **Play parks and playing field**
   - **Play park sand**: to receive an update on the costs of purchasing replacement sand
   - **Dogs on leads:** To consider correspondence received from a resident regarding the control of dogs on the Recreation Ground and associated recreational/play areas, and to consider whether any further information or action is required.
   - **Any other maintenance issues**

   b) **Street Lighting issues near Timbers underpass and in Timbers car park**
   - To receive an update on the appointment of a contractor and consider the quotation given
   - To consider the contractor's proposed contract terms and conditions, agree any amendments to be sought, and resolve whether to authorise the Clerk to sign the contract, subject to any agreed amendments being accepted by the contractor.

   c) **Parish-owned car parks:**
   - Update on repairs to the Timbers barrier

- Any other updates

d) Moorings: Any other updates

e) Kayak storage at the Old Boat House – to receive an update on the expired lease and communication with Savills and the Diocese on the matter

f) Tennis Club grant application: To consider a grant application from Aveton Gifford Tennis Club towards the cost of installing two additional floodlights.

10. Events

a) Fireworks:
- To receive a verbal report from the Fireworks meeting held on Wednesday 30th September 2026.
- To consider and approve expenditure on new orange safety fencing for use at village events.

b) Remembrance Day wreath donation: To consider and agree whether to make a donation towards the Remembrance Day wreath.

c) Swoosh 2026: To receive the reports from Level Water on the 2026 event.

11. Roads & footpaths

a) Parish Lengthsman role:
- To receive an update on the insurance cover for the role
- To consider and approve the draft zero-hours contract.

b) A379 bridge speed restrictions: To receive an update from Devon County Council and consider and agree the proposed outline design for the scheme, including signage, road markings and VAS signs, and the next steps for progressing the project.

c) A379 Waterhead crossing – pedestrian safety: To receive an update on whether any further progress has been made regarding pedestrian safety at the Waterhead crossing.

d) Any other updates

12. Tree warden

a) To receive a verbal report of the tree meeting held on the 7th October 2026

b) To consider and agree any actions arising from the 2026 annual tree survey

c) Beech tree at Pittens Walk / Glebeland
- To receive an update regarding ongoing concerns about the protected beech tree adjacent to No. 18 Glebeland.
- To consider what actions the Council should take with regard to the matter

d) To receive an update on the sycamore trees adjacent to resident's barn

e) To receive any other updates

13. Community pool

a) To consider options for replacement or refurbishment of the circulator pump.

b) To consider options for the future supply of chlorination system spares.

c) To consider options for replacement of the winter pool cover.

14. Finance

a) To receive the Finance Report for September

b) To receive the Quarterly Budget Report for the 2nd Quarter

c) Invoices for payment and payments made – to consider and approve invoices for payment and receive a report of any payments made.

d) External Audit: To receive the External Auditor's Report and consider any actions arising.

e) Budget 2027/28: To agree a date for an initial budget discussion meeting.

f) mAGpie budget for issue covering 3 months: To consider and approve the budget for a mAGpie issue covering December, January and February, following the proposed change to the publication cycle

g) Clerk Hours*:* To consider and approve any overtime reported by the Clerk for September

15. Governance

a) Online Payments Procedure: To review and approve the updated Online Payments Procedure**.**

16. Items for information or next agenda - all items for the next agenda to be submitted to the Clerk by Monday 2nd November 2026

Next meeting Thursday 12th November 2026 at 7:00pm

Signed: A. Clayton

4 October 2026

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