



BENWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk: Mrs. A Barnes

To the Members of the Council

27 January 2026

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Benwick Parish Council for the purpose of transacting the following business.

On Monday 2 February at 19:30

At the village hall (Church room), High Street, Benwick PE15 0XG (///office.satellite.rivals)

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend

Yours truly

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Mrs. A Barnes

Clerk/Proper Officer

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All Members are reminded that they need to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests before an item is discussed at this meeting under the Localism Act 2011.

Please note all meetings will be recorded for the purpose of assistance the minute taking only.

166/25-26	Apologies for absence To record any apologies for absence sent in advance of the meeting.			
167/25-26	Declarations of Interest Councillors to declare any interests in respect of any item to be discussed at this meeting: a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest b) Non-Pecuniary Interest c) Sensitive Pecuniary Interest.			
168/25-26	Public participation An opportunity for members of the public to speak to the council.			
169/25-26	Confirmation of Minutes Approve and sign the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 5 January 2026.			
170/25-26	County & District Councillors Reports No reports received.			
171/25-26	Action Log To review and update the log of actions from previous meetings.			
172/25-26	Highways matters Discuss and agree any Highways related matters arising.			
173/25-26	Cemetery and September Gardens Council to discuss and agree any actions required for the Cemetery and September Gardens.			
174/25-26	Clerk's report and requests Please see report for January 2026.			
175/25-26	Village Spring Clean To further develop the proposal for a village spring clean event (item ref 118/25-26) giving consideration to date, logistics and requirements for volunteers.			
176/25-26	Income & Expenditure a) Members to consider and approve the following accounts for payment.			
	N Power	Electricity consumption 01/12/25 – 31/12/25 (direct debit payment)	£ 193.77	
		Sub-total pre-authorised by Council	£ 193.77	
	Salaries and Expenses ID Verde	Clerk's salary and expenses January 2025 Cemetery maintenance January 2025	£ 557.01 £ 273.00	
		Subtotal to authorise for payment now	£ 830.01	
		TOTAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORISED	£ 1023.78	
	b) Clerk to report on the January 2026 bank reconciliation.			

177/25-26	2026/27 Budget Setting (carried forward from January meeting – item ref 161/25-26) a) Review the proposed parish council budget for 2026/27. Clerk to highlight discussion from budget working group meeting on 16/12/25. b) Approve the expenditure lines c) Accept the budget forecasts d) Approve the general reserves to be at 100% of necessary expenditure e) Approve a precept amount f) Approve the itemized and general reserve levels	
178/25-26	Correspondence a) Fenland District Council (FDC) Press Release (email 12/01/26, 22/01/26) b) FDC Festive Chairmans Afternoon Tea (email 22/01/26) c) National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Chief Executive's Bulletin (emails 22/01/26) d) Combined Authority Members Newsletter (email 22/01/26)	
179/25-26	Planning There are no planning applications for the council to review at this meeting.	
180/25-26	Biodiversity and Habitat Initiatives Discuss and agree any biodiversity actions / initiatives.	
181/25-26	Agenda Items/Next Meeting Agree the date of the next Parish Council meeting proposed to be Monday 2 March 2026. Items to be included on agenda should be with the Clerk by Monday 23 February 2026.	