BALSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 15th September, 2025 at 7.30 pm in Balsham Pavilion (Green Room)

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence:
- 2. Councillors are required to review the agenda, and to declare any pecuniary interest in any item.
- 3. Public Participation (15 mins):
- 4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st July, 2025:
- 5. Report from District and County Councillor:
- 6. Matters arising from the minutes:
 - a) Refurbishment of the old map board cases on Mays Ave Green and Rosie Green Wood
 - b) Trimming of Leylandii trees and cherry trees in High Street:

7. Solar Farm

- a) Report from the Fundraising meeting to discuss the Alliance of Parish Councils
- b) Updates from Kingsway Solar Farm action group
- c) Report from the meeting of the Parish Council Solar Farm working party.

8. Planning:

a) For Discussion:

Proposal: Red Horse Chestnut - C1 - Pollard to 5m from ground level, crown is dying and

the tree is in decline.

Site address: 95 High Street Balsham Cambridgeshire

Reference: 25/0868/TTCA

Public Access link: https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-

applications/PLAN/25/0868/TTCA

Proposal: Conversion of existing granary, cart-lodges, and shelter sheds into a two-storey

self build dwelling.

Site address: Worsted Lodge Farm London Road Old A11 Babraham

Reference: 25/03417/LBC / 25/031416/FUL

Public Access Link: https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-

applications/PLAN/25/03417/LBC

Proposal: Proposed first floor side extension

Site address: 56 Fox Road Balsham Cambridgeshire

Reference: 25/03383/HFUL

Public Access Link: https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-

applications/PLAN/25/03383/HFUL

9. b) Decisions

Proposal: Installation of new air source heat pump. Site address: 19 Linton Road Balsham Cambridgeshire

Reference: 25/02540/HFUL / 25/02541/LBC Granted permission from SCDC

Proposal: T1 - Reduce lateral spread by approx 1-1.5m ensuring front side is cut back to hedge line and crown reduce to give a 0.25-0.5m clearence to BT cables - this is to

maintain shape and to ensure crown is clear of BT wires.

Site address: 18 West Wickham Road Balsham Cambridgeshire

Reference: 25/0651/TTPO

Granted permission from SCDC

10. Allotment update

- a) Update on vacant allotments
- b) Removal of bamboo
- c) Community Orchard update
- d) Allotment improvement grant
- e) Cutting of allotment paths/community orchard/hedges

11. Recreation Ground/Pavilion

- a) Solar panel grant
- b) Emptying of grass containers
- c) Plaque on a bench on the recreation ground
- d) Cutting back/removing the leylandii hedge at Balsham Recreation Ground.

12. Highway Matters:

13. Correspondence:

14. Finance:- Receipts and payments up to 10/09/25 and any invoices/receipts received up until 15/09/25 will be considered at the meeting.

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Receipts			
Allotment rent		£	330.00
CCC	Grass cutting grant	£	454.62
Resident	Loan of pavilion tables	£	10.00
HMRC	VAT repayment	£	4,917.38
HMRC	VAT repayment	£	4,890.60
Total Receipts		£	10,602.60
Payments (August/Sept)			
T Coston Salary August	£ 1,472.25 (Gross)	£	1,438.42
	Tax/NI £ 186.48 Exp: £ 165.90		
	Pension £ 80.99		
M McCall	£ 322.50 (Gross) £ 64.40 (Tax)	£	273.00
	£ 14.90 (Ex)		
S Housden	Cleaner – Gross	£	210.00
T Coston Salary	£ 1,512.55(Gross)	£	1,589.00
September	Backpay £ 201.50		
	Tax/NI £ 186.48 Exp: £ 155.70		
	Pension £ 94.27		
M McCall	£ 412.50 (Gross) £ 82.60 (Tax)	£	349.90
	£ 20.00 (Ex)		
S Housden	Cleaner – Gross	£	210.00
Herts & Cambs Ground	SI-3997/3944/4005/4027/3944	£	2,700.00
Maintenace			

JRB Enterprises	Dog waste bags	£	292.80
E & E Plumridge	Solar Farm leaflets	£	168.00
HMRC	Tax/NI	£	1,241.92
Kingsway Solar Action	Leaflets/Insurance	£	57.76
Group			
Dunn	Allotment deposit repay	£	50.00
British Gas	Pavilion Electricity	£	53.18
Handyman Dan	Male toilet doors replacement	£	305.00
Cyril Denny	Hedgecutting at CI 2 cuts	£	150.00
Kleen	Bus shelter	£	60.00
Cambridgeshire Pensions	Clerk Pension x 2	£	802.20
Balsham Scouts	Scout Hut hire	£	20.00
Nextnorth	Website hosting	£	210.00
British Gas	Pavilion electricity	£	49.66
Church Institute	VE/VJ Day expenses	£	360.87
TOTAL		£	10,591.71

Bank Balances as at 10/09/2025

 Community A/C:
 £
 10,704.16

 H.I. Account:
 £
 114,045.70

 3 month notice account (Lloyds)
 £
 43,871.51

 Total
 £
 168,621.37

15. Area Report:

16. Date of Next Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will take place at 7.30pm on 20th October 2025 in Balsham Pavilion.

Signed (Clerk)

Date 10/09/2025