

BALSHAM PARISH COUNCIL
The Parish Council meeting will be held on
Monday 19th October 2026 at 7.30 pm
in Balsham Pavilion (Green Room)

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence:**
 2. **Co-option of new Parish Councillor**
 3. **Councillors are required to review the agenda and declare any pecuniary interest in any item.**
 4. **Public Participation (15 mins):**
 5. **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st September 2026.**
 6. **Report from District and County Councillor:**
 7. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
 - a) Refurbishment of the old map board cases at Rosie Green Wood
 - b) Pump track project progress
 - c) Housing needs survey discussion
 - d) Diversion of footpath in West Wratting Road
 - e) Telephone box refurbishment quotes
 - f) Rookery trees re-assessment
 8. **Solar Farm**
 - a) Updates from the Kingsway Solar Farm action group
 - b) Community benefit ideas
 9. **Planning:**
 - a) For Discussion:**

Proposal: Single storey rear extension.
Site address: 2 Dotterell Hall Barns Cambridge Road Balsham
Reference: 26/03543/HFUL
Public Access Link: <https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-applications/PLAN/26/03543/HFUL>
 - b) Decisions:**

Proposal: T1 - Horse chestnut. Oversized for location. Crown reduce by up to 3m to previous pruning points to leave the tree at approximately 9m in height. Crown raise by up to 2m to gain clearance over neighbouring property and driveway.
Site address: 18 Queens Close, Balsham, Cambridgeshire
Reference: 26/0851/TTPO Approved by SCDC.

Proposal: T1 - Yew - Crown reduction by 3 metres.
Site address: 42 High Street, Balsham, Cambridgeshire
Reference: 26/0905/TTCA Approved by SCDC
- Appeals:**
Proposal: Replacement of existing single glazing with double glazing within the retained frames and general repair work to eight sash windows

10. Allotment update

- a) Update on vacant allotments
- b) Community Orchard update
- c) Complaint about allotment growth through a fence.

11. Recreation Ground/Pavilion

- a) Consider quotes for the disabled toilet, ladies' toilet and kitchen sink

12. Highway Matters:

13. Correspondence:

14. Finance: Receipts and payments up to 14/10/2026 and any invoices/receipts received up until 19/10/2026 will be considered at the meeting.

a)

Receipts		
Allotment rent		£ 1,362.50
Balsham Indoor Bowls	Bench/plaque purchase	£ 526.20
Precept	2 nd Precept payment	£ 39,000.00
Total Receipts		£ 40,888.70
Payments		
T Coston Salary (October)	£1,569.10 (Gross) Tax/NI £145.69 Expenses: £133.20 Pension £78.29	£ 1,478.32
M McCall	£465.00 (Gross) £93.00 (Tax) £10 (Expenses)	£ 382.00
S Housden	Cleaner – Gross	£ 210.00
Santander	Bank charges	£ 4.99
JRB Enterprise	Dog waste bins	£ 292.80
Herts & Cambs Grounds	Grasscutting	£ 942.00
EE	Pavilion Wi-Fi	£ 28.50
Alex Smith	Bench installation	£ 250.00
Cambridgeshire Pensions	Clerk pension	£ 388.73
Jennie Tipler	Engraving for allotment cup	£ 27.53
PKF	External audit	£ 504.00
Herts & Cambs Grounds	Grasscutting SI-4540/4549	£ 888.00
Saffron Security	Pavilion Alarm	£ 109.20
TOTAL		£ 5,506.07

Bank Balances as at 14/10/2026

Community A/C:	£ 5,732.05
H.I. Account:	£ 124,045.47
3-month notice account (Lloyds)	£ 43,871.51
Total	£ 173,649.03

15. Area Report:

16. Date of Next Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Monday 16th November, 2026 in Balsham Pavilion at 7.30 pm.

Signed (Clerk)

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Date 14/10/2026