

GIRTON PARISH COUNCIL

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NOTICE of MEETING: GIRTON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING FULL COUNCIL
DATE & TIME: Wednesday 21st January 2026 at 7pm
VENUE: Girton Recreation Ground, Cambridge Road Girton

All Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of resolving Council Business to be transacted at the meeting, as set out below. Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council under the Public Participation item. Advance notice of questions and/or issues would be appreciated.

Members: 12 **Vacancies: 3** **Quorum: 5**

Members: Cllr Marshall (Chair), Cllr Carney (Vice-Chair), Cllr Dickson, Cllr Bajpai, Cllr Brown, Cllr Crawley, Cllr Hayat, Cllr Linton, Cllr Muston, Cllr Reeves, Cllr Richards, Cllr Tasioulas

Mrs. Yvonne Murray – Clerk to Girton Parish Council
16th January 2026

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AGENDA

Agenda Item	Item Description	Action/Power
25FC/175	Welcome from the Chair	
25FC/176	To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Absence	For Decision
25FC/177	Co-option of new Parish Councillors	For Decision
25FC/178	Date of next meeting(s): Wednesday, February 11 th at 7pm	To Note
25FC/179	To Receive Members' Declarations of Interest and Dispensations	To Note
25FC/180	Public Participation <i>To allow a total of 15 minutes for any members of the public to address the meeting in relation to any matter on the agenda. Individual presentations to be limited to 5 minutes on any single issue</i>	15 Mins
25FC/181	To Receive External Reports <i>(for information only)</i>	10 Mins
25FC/182.1	County Councillor	
25FC/182.2	District Councillors	
25FC/182.3	Girton Neighbourhood Plan	
25FC/183	To Approve Minutes of Girton Parish Council Full Council Meetings: 18 th December 2025	For Decision
25FC/184	Matters arising from Previous Meetings <i>(for information only)</i>	To Note
25FC/184.1	Action List	
25FC/184.2	Any other Matters arising – A chance to raise any comments/concerns on previous agenda items	
25FC/185	To Approve Finance and Resource Management	For Decision

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25FC/185.1	To note payment of accounts under delegated approval	To Note
25FC/185.2	To Approve payment of outstanding accounts due	For Decision
25FC/185.3	To Receive a report from Facilities Manager on Amounts paid in	To Note
25FC/186	Business items requiring a decision, or consideration by the Council	For Decision
25FC/186.1	<p>2026-2027 Precept: Girton Parish Council to consider and approve recommendation to request precept for 2026-2027 from South Cambridgeshire District Council at £266,111 (Band D £114.24), representing the ~19% increase scenario, an increase of £18.24 on a Band D house.</p> <p>This appears to be the first financially sustainable option that fully funds existing & new recurring duties without reliance on reserves.</p> <p>For simplicity and clarity for residents, this may be rounded to Band D £115.00, which would increase the total yield to approximately £267,881 (an uplift of about £1,770 versus £266,111) & does not change the sustainability assessment or the recommendation.</p>	For Decision
25FC/186.2	<p>Girton Parish Council to considers & approves in principle drawing from reserves for Phase 1 & Phase 2 Major Community Projects (Groundsman Compound and Cricket Relocation), subject to compliance with JPAG proper practices, alignment to the Strategic Plan and SAPPP lens, & returning to Full Council for final approval once firm costs, funding sources, delivery plan, risk mitigations and procurement route are confirmed. No reserve drawdown will occur until that final decision.</p>	For Decision
25FC/186.3	<p>Girton Parish Council to consider and approve the new items included within the draft 2026/27 budget, as set out in the accompanying budget papers, noting that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items have been costed using the Council’s prepared figures for 2026/27; • All new recurring items form part of the Council’s operational responsibilities for 2026/27; • All one-off items will be funded on a <i>reserves-first</i> basis where eligible, in line with JPAG proper practices; and • Implementation of each item will remain subject to procurement, capacity and risk-management steps as required. <p><i>The Council further notes that any changes will return to Full Council before commitment.</i></p>	To Note
25FC/186.4	<p>Girton Parish Council to consider and approve a 5% increase to Recreation User Charges (including sports pitch hire, pavilion hire, hall hire and associated fees) for the 2026/27 financial year, with the updated Fees & Charges Schedule to take effect at the start of each 2026/2027 season for each sport.</p> <p>The Clerk and Facilities Manager is authorised to implement and publish the revised schedule, maintaining concessionary and community-rate arrangements where previously approved.</p>	For Decision
25FC/186.5	<p>Girton Parish Council to consider and approve amendment Section 6.9 of the Girton Parish Council Financial Regulations (2025), increasing the Clerk/RFO delegated authority operational payment limit from £500 to £1,000 (excluding VAT), within an agreed budget. The amended text shall read:</p> <p>“The Clerk/RFO shall have delegated authority to authorise payments only in the following circumstances:</p>	For Decision

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> any payments of up to £1,000 excluding VAT, within an agreed budget.” This amendment shall take effect immediately and the published Financial Regulations shall be updated accordingly. 	
25FC/186.6	<p>Girton Parish Council to consider and approve support of the development of the Community Buildings District Forum led by Cambridgeshire ACRE and agrees that the Girton Pavilion should take part in this local networking group. The Council recognises that the forum offers practical support, shared learning and stronger connections with neighbouring halls, which will benefit the long-term running and sustainability of our community building(s). The Council therefore authorises the Clerk and Girton Parish Council Chair to attend forum meetings and engage with the project.</p>	For Decision
25FC/186.7	<p>Girton Parish Council to consider and approve the Council’s formal response to the South Cambridgeshire District Council / Greater Cambridge Local Plan consultation, as circulated to Members. The Clerk is instructed to submit the approved response to SCDC by the stated deadline of 5pm on Friday 30 January 2026.</p>	For Decision
25FC/186.8	Girton Parish Council to consider and approve next steps in the ‘Pavements are for People’ initiative.	For Decision
25FC/186.9	Girton Parish Council to follow up with CCC Highways to discuss the speed bumps on Oakington Road and to report back at February 11 th Full Council.	To Note
25FC/187	To Receive Council Reports and updates from GPC Committees & Working Groups <i>(For information only)</i>	To Note
25FC/187.1	Clerk’s Report	
25FC/187.2	Chair’s Report	
25FC/187.3	Girton Together (Convener: Stuart Marshall)	
25FC/187.4	Local Nature Recovery Working Group (Convener: Alison Giles)	
25FC/187.5	Girton Green Spaces (Convener: To be Confirmed)	
25FC/187.6	Girton Sport & Recreation Facilities (Convener: Nas Hayat)	
25FC/187.7	Highways & Active Travel (Convener: Dan Carney)	
25FC/187.8	Planning Committee (Chair: Dan Carney)	
25FC/187.9	Finance & Resource Management Committee (Chair: Ann Muston)	
25FC/187.10	HR Committee (to include CAPALC Report) (Chair: Ann Muston)	
25FC/188	Council to receive Correspondence	To Note
25FC/189	<p>Public Participation <i>To allow a total of 15 minutes for any members of the public to address the meeting in relation to any matter on the agenda. Individual presentations to be limited to 5 minutes on any single issue</i></p>	15 Mins
25FC/190	<p>Council to consider and approve authorisation for the Clerk to prepare and publish a summary of decisions and updates from this meeting, in accordance with the Council’s communication policy. <i>This will enable timely and transparent dissemination of meeting outcomes via the Council’s Website, Facebook, and X (formerly Twitter), supporting public engagement and accountability.</i></p>	For Decision
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