



Agenda
Birchington Parish Council
Meeting of the Full Council
Tuesday 15th September 2026 at 6.30 pm
At the Parish Council Office, 2 Albion Road, CT7 9DN
Members of the public can attend the meeting.

Please contact the Parish Clerk by email:

(clerk@birchington-pc.gov.uk) to receive any of the agenda papers.

Please note that as per the Terms of Reference, public attendance is welcomed with the caveat that the Chairman will invite and direct any representation and will be the sole arbiter on attendance and participation. (Members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting will be restricted to a maximum of 3 minutes)

To: Birchington Councillors and Representatives

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Birchington Parish Council which will be held on Tuesday, 15th September 2026 at 6.30 pm at the Parish Council Office, 2 Albion Road, CT7 9DN.

This meeting will be live streamed to the Parish Council's YouTube Channel : www.youtube.com - search for BPCvideo-gov

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence have been received from Cllr Bob Prebble and TDC District Cllr George Kup.

2. Declarations of Interests.

To receive any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.

3. Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 7th July 2026

To receive and agree the minutes of the meeting and to consider any matters arising.

4. Chairman's Report and Public Participation

To receive a verbal report and consider any matters arising.

5. Committee Meetings and Reports.

To receive reports from the Chairmen of Finance, Policy and Governance (Cllr Prebble), Environment and Place (Cllr Tiley), and Planning Applications (Cllr Wright).

To note: the following standing committee agreed minutes: Planning 16th June 2026 and 14th July 2026;

FOR DECISION

6. General Power of Competence (Cllr Blankley)

To consider and confirm that Birchington Parish Council meets the eligibility criteria for the General Power of Competence, as set out in the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, namely that:

- at least two-thirds of the total number of councillors have been declared elected; and
- the Clerk holds the required recognised qualification

To resolve to adopt the General Power of Competence (GPC) under Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011, with immediate effect.

7. Thanet Local Plan – Scoping Consultation (Cllr Blankley)

To consider the recent communication from Thanet District Council and to decide on the Parish Council's approach to responding to the consultation.

TO NOTE

8. Local Government Services – Pay Agreement 2026/2027 (Cllr Blankley)

To note that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an agreement on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027 and to confirm that this pay award will be implemented as soon as possible (backdated to 1 April 2026).

9. Local Government Reorganisation (Cllr Hudson)

Following the announcement to delay Local Government Reorganisation to receive an update from Cllr Hudson – Chairman of KALC.

10. Reports from District Councillors.

11. Reports from KCC Councillors.

12. Ward Police Officer and Community Warden Reports.

To receive a verbal report from PC Steve England and Community Warden Jason Gordon.

13. To receive the Monthly Bank reconciliation with payments for July and August 2026

14. Clerks Correspondence.

15. Date and time of next meeting.

Tuesday, 17th November 2026 at 6.30pm in the Parish Office.

Signed by the Clerk

Jane Bevan

Dated: 7th September 2026