

WORTH

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To: Members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee

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Notice of Meeting

You are summoned to the **Finance & General Purposes Committee** meeting of Worth Parish Council to be held on **Monday 7th July 2025 at approximately 8.00pm** in the Parish Hub, Copthorne when the following business will be considered and transacted. This meeting will follow the Planning & Highways Committee, so the start time is approximate, and Members should be available by 7.45pm.

Mrs L Bannister
CHIEF OFFICER

AGENDA

1. **Public Question Time** - to receive, and act upon if considered necessary, comments made by members of the public. This item will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with individual contribution up to a maximum of 3 minutes.

Members of the public are welcome to ask questions of the Council on matters that arise under its remit. The question should not be a statement, and it would be appreciated to be kept short, to maximise the time for other questions. The chairman will call the question from those who are indicating that they wish to speak.

Members of the public will only be allowed to speak at any other time during the meeting at the discretion of the Chairman, and will be governed by the rules set out in the Council's Standing Orders at all times.

2. **Apologies** – to **receive** and **approve** apologies for absence.
3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests** – to **receive** any declarations of interest from Councillors.
4. **Minutes** – to **approve** the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday 2nd June 2025 ([attached](#)).
5. **Chairman's Announcements** – to **receive** any announcements by the Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.
6. **Correspondence list** – to **note** correspondence received since the last meeting:
 - a. Thank you for grant for Lychgate from St Johns Church.
7. **Accounts & Financial Matters** – to **consider** the following matters:
 - a. To **resolve** to receive and approve expenditure/income lists and reports on the current financial situation (attached).
 - b. To **confirm** that bank reconciliations to 30th June have been completed.
 - c. To **approve** purchasing a new defibrillator for Crawley Down at an approximate cost of £2,000, to be paid from the Capital Purchases budget. Funding will be sought for this.

8. **Section 106 Monies** - to **receive** an update on the status of current agreements (attached for [Copthorne](#) and [Crawley Down](#)). Note that the reconciled report for this financial year is due, but has not yet been received.
9. **Copthorne Recreation Ground** – to (report to follow):
 - a. Appoint the contractor for Contract E: Civils Package 2
 - b. Review the budget and spending requirements
10. **Projects** – to **receive** updates on the following projects, and **consider** the recommendations in the report:
 - CCTV (to follow)
 - Bowers Place parking ([attached](#))
11. **Neighbourhood Planning** – MHCLG has confirmed that, as a result of the spending review, they cannot proceed with commissioning new neighbourhood planning support services for 2025 onwards. Unfortunately, this means that they cannot open applications for new grants or technical support.
To **consider** any recommendation made by the Planning & Highways Committee to continue with the neighbourhood planning process.
12. **Matters for Consideration submitted by the Village Working Parties, or by the Co-Ordination Group** - to note activities to date, and to receive any recommendations.
13. **Consideration of items for discussion by the Village Working Parties, or by the Co-Ordination Group** – to consider and agree items to pass to the two Village Working Parties, or to the Co-Ordination Group for discussion at their meetings, these to be put on a future Council/Committee agenda if necessary.
14. **Date of the next meeting**: Monday 1st September at the Glebe, Crawley Down.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE THE RIGHT TO ATTEND, AND ARE WELCOME AT MEETINGS