

# WORTH

## Parish Council

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To: Members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee

7<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## Notice of Meeting

You are summoned to the **Finance & General Purposes Committee** meeting of Worth Parish Council to be held on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at approximately 8.00pm** in the Haven, Crawley Down when the following business will be considered and transacted. This meeting will follow the Planning & Highways Committee meeting, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026 ([attached](#)).
5. **Chairman's Announcements** – to **receive** any announcements by the Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.
6. **Correspondence list** – nothing to note.
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 31<sup>st</sup> March have been completed.
  - c. To **approve** the invoice for £1,705 plus VAT from UK Power Networks for additional charges relating to replacing a street light on Grange Road.
  - d. To **appoint** Streetlights as the street lighting contractor at a cost of £7,139 plus VAT (an increase of 4%).
  - e. To **confirm** the contractor for the fencing for Crawley Down Green as being Contractor D, as recommended by the Amenities & Assets Committee. Note that fencing for the

Play Area is planned to take place as soon as possible due to deterioration of the fence. This means that a small amount of fencing will be removed from the Bowers Place Parking Solution contract (report to Amenities & Assets attached).

- f. To **consider** awarding grants to the following (note there is £6,065 remaining in the budget):
  - £750 Peter Pan Playground
  - £510 4Sight Vision Support
- g. To **approve** payments made via Direct Debit:

COMPANY	SERVICE	REGULARITY	COST
Castle Water	Allotment water	Monthly	Variable
British Gas	Feeder pillars	Monthly	Variable
British Gas	Allotment store electricity	Monthly	Variable
EE Mobile	Youth broadband	Monthly	£35.00
EDF	Streetlight electricity	Quarterly	Variable
Tesco	Mobile phone	Monthly	£10.00
Tesco	Mobile phone	Monthly	£24.99
PWLB	Loan for Parish Hub	Biannually	£4,863.00
PWLB	Loan for Bowers Place	Biannually	£2,482.21

- 8. **End of financial year** – to **consider** the report ([attached](#)).
- 9. **Section 106 Monies** – to **note** funds available (attached for [Cophorne](#) and [Crawley Down](#)).
- 10. **Insurance** – to **consider** insurance providers (to follow).
- 11. **Policies** – to **review** the Grants Policy ([policy](#) and [application form](#) attached).
- 12. **Projects** – to **receive** updates on the following projects, and **consider** the recommendations in the reports (to follow):
  - a. Bowers Place parking
  - b. Cophorne Recreation Ground
  - c. Operation Watershed
- 13. **Matters for Consideration submitted by the Village Working Parties, or by the Worth Parish Council Working Party** - to note activities to date, and to receive any recommendations.
- 14. **Consideration of items for discussion by the Village Working Parties, or by the Worth Parish Council Working Party** – to consider and agree items to pass to the two Village Working Parties, or to the Worth Parish Council Working Party for discussion at their meetings, these to be put on a future Council/Committee agenda if necessary.
- 15. **Date of the next meeting**: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at the Glebe Centre, Crawley Down.

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