



Podington Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting Agenda

Date & Time: Tuesday, 6th January 2026 at 7:30pm
Venue: Podington United Services Club (Committee Room)

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend the above meeting of the Parish Council.
Members of the public are welcome to attend.

AGENDA

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(Approx. 15 minutes – Standing Orders suspended at the Chairman's discretion)

- Opportunity for members of the public to comment or ask questions
 - Public contributions may be noted for discussion at future meetings
 - Report from Borough Councillor Field-Foster
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1. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct, including the nature and reason for the interest.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 4th November 2025
- b. To consider any matters arising from those minutes

3. Highways and Rights of Way

- a. Update from Paul Lockyer on his meeting with the Highways team from Bedford Borough Council regarding the condition of highways within the parish
 - b. Road closure issues, including Quarry Farm Road
 - c. Footpath stile near Stonepit Cottages – report of slippery conditions and a recent fall; discussion on ownership/responsibility (Bedford Borough Council or Bromborough Estate) and possible safety measures (e.g. kissing gate or alternative access)
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4. Planning

a. Applications for consideration:

- **Proposed Solar Farm** – update and discussion
(The Clerk will remove himself from the room during discussion due to a conflict of interest)
- **Planning Application Reference:** 25/02346/MAF
Address: St Giles and Orlebar House, Hinwick Hall, Hinwick, Wellingborough NN29 7JE
Proposal: Change of use application including partial demolition of extensions to St Giles House with associated internal and external alterations, addition of PV panels, conversion of Orlebar House with associated internal and external alterations, erection of an external multi-use games area, erection of boundary fencing, car and cycle parking, and associated hard and soft landscaping

b. Other planning matters arising since the previous meeting

5. Play Area Report (MW)

6. Allotments (PG & Clerk)

7. Streetlights

a. LED bulb update (Clerk)

8. Police Matters

a. Review of latest crime statistics

9. Finance (LS)

- a. Financial update
- b. Approval of payments and noting of income
- c. Presentation of current financial statement

10. Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) – Dogs

To discuss a potential request for a Public Space Protection Order to prohibit dogs being off leads in the vicinity of the school, and to consider whether such a request would enable enforcement action in the event of loose dogs in the area.

11. Clerk's Report – Website and Parish Email

- a. Update on the parish website and parish email address, including issues encountered and progress towards resolution

12. Correspondence and Any Other Business

- a. To consider received correspondence and any required action
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Dates of Future Meetings

(All at 7:30pm at the Podington United Services Club)

- Tuesday, 3rd March 2026
- Tuesday, 12th May 2026
- Tuesday, 7th July 2026
- Tuesday, 1st September 2026
- Tuesday, 3rd November 2026