

**Highnam Parish Council**  
**Highnam ~ Linton ~ Over ~ Lassington**



**Dear Councillor / Resident**

I hereby give notice of the Parish Council Meeting that will be held in **Gambier Parry Hall**,  
on **21<sup>st</sup> April 2026**

***Public Questions a period of no more than 15 minutes will be set aside for public question between 7.30 pm and 7.45 pm.***

WM Barnard  
**Wendy Barnard**  
**Parish Council Clerk & RFO**  
**16/04/2026**

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Public Forum: A maximum of 15minutes, 3 minutes per resident will be allowed for questions and comments from members of the public.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.**
- 2. Members of the council are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set out below.**
- 3. To allow dispensations.**
- 4. To approve minutes of meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026**
- 5. To receive Reports**
  - i. County Councillor**
  - ii. Borough Councillor**
  - iii. Parish Chair**
- 6. To Consider Planning Applications received.**

<b>26/00207/FUL</b>	<b>Land At Two Mile Lane Highnam Gloucester Gloucestershire</b>	Construction of up to 36MW (AC) solar farm with associated infrastructure works including inverters, substations, fencing, CCTV and electrical infrastructure works, cabling and landscaping
<b>26/00242/FUL</b>	<b>20 Brimsome Meadow Highnam</b>	Erection of a side extension incorporating a covered area to rear and associated works.

<b>26/00107/FUL</b>	<b><a href="#">12 Limekiln Grove Highnam</a></b>	<b>Erection of a single storey extension on rear elevation</b>	<b>Permitted</b>
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- 8. To approve invoices for payment as per the Payment Schedule. (Circulated beforehand)**
- 9. Triangle of Land on Oakridge -To receive an update on the current status of the application and discuss the ongoing lack of progression by the County Council.**
- 10. Strategic Review of Planning Applications and Proposals for Solar Farms within Highnam Parish.**  
**To consider the cumulative impact of recent planning applications and large-scale proposals affecting the village. To agree on the appropriate courses of action for Highnam Parish Council (HPC) to ensure the interests of the community are best represented and protected in light of these developments**
- 11. Anti-Social behaviour – To receive reports of recent anti-social behaviour (ASB) within the Parish and to determine the Council’s response to the following issues:**
  - i. Youth Nuisance and Intimidation: To discuss the reported incidents of youths knocking on doors and running away ("knock-door-run") and subjecting residents to verbal aggression.**
    - a. To formally report these incidents to the Local Neighbourhood Policing Team and request increased patrols.
    - b. To advise residents via the Parish newsletter/website on how to report incidents to Gloucestershire Constabulary (via 101 or online) to build an evidence log.
    - c. To consider a joint community statement regarding acceptable behaviour
  - ii. Dog Fouling: To discuss the persistent issue of dog fouling on public footpaths, residents’ gardens and green spaces.**
    - a. To review the adequacy of existing signage and consider the purchase of new enforcement signs (e.g., No Dog Fouling signs from Safety Signs and Notices).
    - b. To consider the installation of additional dog waste bins in identified "hotspot" areas.
    - c. To remind residents that failure to clear up is a criminal offence that can result in a Fixed Penalty Notice from the Borough Council.
- 12. Environment: Purchase of Scythe for Pollinator Patches**  
**To consider a proposal from the Environment Group to purchase a scythe for the management of local pollinator patches.**

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To note:

- a. There is confirmation from the Parish Clerk that registered volunteers are covered under the Council's insurance policy, provided they adhere to specific safety guidelines.
- b. A formal Risk Assessment has been prepared and is ready for adoption.

To resolve:

- a. To approve the expenditure of £251.00 for the purchase of the scythe and associated sharpening equipment.
- b. To formally adopt the Risk Assessment for scythe use.
- c. To agree on the storage arrangements and the process for ensuring only registered and briefed volunteers use the equipment.

**13. Clerks Correspondence**

**Date of next meeting 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026**  
**Gambier Parry Hall @7.30pm**