

STOKE HOLY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held at The Community Hall
on **Thursday 21st May 2026 at 7.30pm.**

All Councillors are summoned to attend.

The press and public are welcome and are able to address the Council during the public participation section. However, the law does not permit members of the press and public to take part in debates.

AGENDA

1. To elect a Chairperson for the coming year.
2. To elect a Vice-Chairperson for the coming year.
3. To consider approving any apologies for absence.
4. To receive any declarations of interest, and dispensation requests, on items to be discussed.
5. To suspend the meeting for comments from members of the public and to receive reports from the District and County Councillors.
6. To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th April 2026.
7. Finance:
 - 7.1 To approve the bank reconciliation and Payment of Accounts List.
 - 7.2 To receive a report from the Internal Control Officer for Quarter Four 2025/26.
 - 7.3 To appoint an Internal Control Officer for the coming year.
 - 7.4 To decide how to allocate the recent donations of £1,339.54 and £1,721.79.
 - 7.5 *To consider the Internal Auditor's report for the year ending 31st March 2026.*
 - 7.6 *To agree the accounts for the year ending 31st March 2026.*
 - 7.7 *To consider the assertions on, and complete, the Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 and authorise the Clerk and Chairperson to sign the form.*
 - 7.8 *To consider and approve the Accounting Statement 2025/26 and authorise the Chairperson to sign the form.*
8. To receive an update from the Planning Committee re: the planning applications below and any received after this agenda is posted.
 - **2026/0833** - Agricultural Building At Watering Farm, Long Lane : Outline planning permission for up to five dwellings, with all matters reserved except for access.
 - **2026/0871** - 70 Poringland Road: Garage conversion with internal alterations and raise roof ridge height to match existing.
9. To receive any updates from the Community Hall Working Group.
10. To receive any updates from the Wildflower Meadow and Playing Field Working Groups.

11. To elect Parish Council members for the following:
 - 11.1 Playing Field Working Group (3)
 - 11.2 Planning Committee (3)
 - 11.3 Community Hall Working Group (1)

12. To elect representatives for the following:
 - 12.1 Six Strategic Group Meetings (1)
 - 12.2 Allotment Association (1)
 - 12.3 Pre- School (2)
 - 12.4 Facebook Page (2)
 - 12.5 SAM2 Machine (1)
 - 12.6 Weekly and Monthly Play Area Inspections (2)

13. To receive any report in relation to the Community Speed Watch Scheme.

14. To co-opt two Parish Councillors.

15. To identify any training opportunities.

16. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting as 25th June 2026 at 7.30pm.

Dan Wickham, Parish Clerk
14th May 2026