



## Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

I hereby give you notice that the next meeting of Welford Parish Council is to be held on:

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7:30pm** in Wickham Village Hall.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend the ordinary Parish Council meeting.

### AGENDA

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
2. **To receive any Declarations of Interest.**  
Members are reminded they should declare any known interests in any matter to be considered in this agenda.
3. **To confirm and sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025**
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025**
  - 4.1 **Bus Shelter update**
5. **OPEN FORUM.**  
To receive any questions, comments, or representations from the public. The meeting will be suspended for a maximum of 15 minutes. Each member of the public is limited to 5 minutes. No decisions can be made by the Council during public question time. After this period, the meeting will be resumed, and members of the public may only speak when invited to do so.
6. **Correspondence received after the agenda was published.**
7. **Reports**
  - 7.1 District Councillor's Report
  - 7.2 Chair's Report
  - 7.3 Clerk's Report
8. **Grant request from Welford Cricket Club for a defibrillator** To discuss and approve.
9. **1977 Jubilee bench at Weston** To discuss and approve a replacement bench.
10. **Litter bin on Wickham playing field** To discuss and approve reinstating the bin collection.
11. **Compliance with Assertion 10 (Digital & Data Standards)** To discuss policies and procedures required for compliance with Assertion 10 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), including IT Policy, Councillor IT Usage Guide, Data Protection Policy, Privacy Notice, Document Retention Schedule, Training & Awareness Checklist, and Assertion 10 Compliance Statement.
12. **Planning**
  - 11.1 **Applications**  
**25/02862/HOUSE** Elton House, Weston, Newbury, RG20 8JG Construction of a garden room

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**25/02517/FUL** Echo Barn, Elton Farm, Weston, Newbury RG20 8JG. Application under section 73-A, for Retrospective Planning Consent, for domestic garden landscaping works and means of enclosure, including the minor extension of the residential curtilage.

**25/02720/FULMAJ** - Adjacent Parish Harry Derham Racing, Upper Farm Boxford RG20 8BR Section 73A: Vary condition 9 'scheme of landscaping', 22 'landscape and ecological management plan', 23 'updated ecological appraisal', 24 'bat mitigation strategy', 25 'biodiversity monitoring strategy', 27 'external lighting' and 29 'biodiversity mitigation and enhancement' of planning permission 21/02529/COMIND (Fully retrospective: Proposed change of use from agricultural to new equine facility (racehorse training and stabling) for 45No horses, including the installation of associated car park, all storm water and foul water drainage, and new landscaping. The installation of new entrance gates within existing vehicular access and gallops. Refurbishment of existing former farm buildings, demolition of existing hay barn, erection of new stable building, horse walker and lunge pen).

#### **11.2 Decisions**

#### **11.3 Planning applications and decisions received after the agenda has been published.**

#### **13. Finance – Payments and receipts to be approved**

##### **10.1 Payments**

30/12/2025	Clerks salary December	481.75
30/12/2025	BIBBY - Dog Waste bins December	88.4
16/12/2025	Bank Service charges	4.25
04/12/2025	RBL - Poppy wreaths	66
04/12/2025	Clerks salary November	493.18
04/12/2025	BIBBY - Dog Waste bins November	88.4
18/11/2025	Bank Service charges	4.25

##### **10.2 Receipts**

10/11/2025	Interest received	2.19
09/12/2025	Interest received	1.99

#### **14. Budget 2026/27** To discuss and approve the Budget for 2026/27.

#### **15. Precept 2026/27** To discuss and approve the Precept for 2026/27.

#### **16. Parish Plan update** To discuss the Parish Plan

Welcome to Welford Parish Council, your local council representing your community. All meetings are open to the public. On rare occasions the Councillors can decide to exclude you for reasons of confidentiality. An example of this would be the opening of quotations for a specific project and the subsequent debate on commercial matters. You do not have the right to speak at this meeting unless invited to do so by the Council. Most Parish Councils enforce this rigidly; however, we try to ensure that the agenda normally includes an Open Forum of a maximum of 15 minutes where you are encouraged to bring matters to the attention of the Council. Each member of the public is limited to 5 minutes.

Open Forum

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The Open Forum does not form part of the Parish Council meeting, will not be minuted and decisions cannot be reached by the Parish Council on subjects raised that are not the published agenda for the meeting. Therefore, any item you raise that is not on the agenda may need to be deferred to a later meeting at the Council's discretion. In that way it will become an agenda item and considered at a future date. The Chairperson of the Parish Council Meeting will direct the Open Forum.

#### Speaking on an Agenda Item

If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, then:

1. You should make yourself known to the Clerk or to the Chairperson of the meeting, ideally before the meeting starts.
2. When the item on the agenda on which you wish to speak is reached the Chairperson may choose to invite the Council to suspend the meeting to allow you to speak. As the meeting is suspended at this point any comments made will not be minuted.
3. If the Council agrees then you can speak on the item which is concerning you. Please try to be brief: the Council has a lot to get through at most meetings. You have a maximum of 5 minutes.
4. Once you have made your points the Chairperson will ask the Councillors if they wish to ask you any questions and, if they do, you can reply to those questions.
5. The Chairperson will then resume the meeting and the Council will then debate the item. You do not have any right to speak during this debate. The only exception would be if a Councillor, through the Chair, wishes to put another question to you. Your Parish Council is there to represent you. Please make use of your Councillors

Clerk to the Council, Angela Boyce. Dated 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025      *A Boyce*