



Westmeston Parish Council

COUNCILLORS ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 11th MARCH 2025 AT 6.30pm AT WESTMESTON PARISH HALL

P. Vidler

Paul Vidler
Clerk to the Council

5th March 2025

Members of the public have a right and are welcome to attend.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence:** To receive and accept any apologies for absence.
- 2. Declarations of interest:** To note any declarations of interest.
- 3. Public questions:** To receive questions from members of the public.
- 4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th January 2025:** To approve the minutes to be signed by the Chairman.
- 5. Financial matters:**

(a) To approve payment of invoices:

Payee	Reason	Amount
Tessa Haughton	Defibrillator battery	£133.80
Paul Vidler	Clerk's pay January to March 2025 and backpay April to December 2024	£1,070.10
HMRC	PAYE	£267.60
Paul Vidler	Clerk's expenses January to March 2025	£32.85
C. Mills	Website hosting	£78.00

(b) 2024/25 Quarter 3 Budget Report and Bank Reconciliation: To note.

- 6. Annual Risk Assessment:** To receive report.
- 7. Planning:**
 - (a) Land opposite Westmeston Place, east of Lewes Road and Blackdog Farm east of Lewes Road:** To receive updates.
 - (b) To agree a response to the following application:**

LW/24/0820 Land South of Green Road, Wivelsfield Green
Outline application for the erection of up to 150 dwellings, with associated works, parking, landscaping, publicly accessible open space, land for education or community use, with access from Green Road and Eastern Road.

(c) To note comments made on the following planning applications since the previous meeting:

- (i) LW/24/0354 Land Adjacent To Mid Sussex Golf Club, Spatham Lane
Provision of 4no. padel courts (Class F2) with ancillary office unit and casual seating area,
provision of vehicle parking area, bicycle storage and soft landscaping. (Reconsultation)**

Westmeston Parish Council reiterates its initial objections to this planning application.

- (ii) SDNP/24/05218/HOUS The Old School, Lewes Road
Single storey rear extension to replace existing store and conservatory, and alterations to
fenestration at all elevations.**

Westmeston Parish Council welcomes the removal of the conservatory and store, and requests that if planning permission is granted, to ensure the external materials are sympathetic to the original building, the north elevation of the proposed extension is finished with flint, rather than render as proposed.

- (iii) LW/24/0694 Little Dobells, Dobells Farm Lane, Ditchling Common, Ditchling
Variation of condition 1 (Plans) relating to approval LW/22/0240 - Omission of second storey
over the garage area, 4No. Velux windows in the rear roof area, using the original roof line.**

Westmeston Parish Council makes no comment on this application.

- (iv) SDNP/25/00293/HOUS The Barn, Lewes Road
Single storey first floor rear extension, new front porch, gable end side roof extension and
fenestration alterations.**

Westmeston Parish Council makes no comment on this application.

(d) To agree a response to the following planning appeal:

**SDNP/23/05134/FUL Ditchling Rugby Club, Keymer Road, Ditchling
Engineering works, to consist of re-profiling of site and realignment of pitch, new drainage system,
creation of new access from Clayton Road leading to new parking area, erection of groundsman's
store/facilities, associated landscaping, and extension to the existing allowed playing season.**

**(e) Inter Parish Working Group on Housing/Eton College Site/Lewes District Local Plan/South Downs
Local Plan: To receive updates.**

- 8. Mayoral Combined County Authority across East Sussex, West Sussex and Brighton & Hove: To receive update.**
- 9. East Sussex Rights of Way Access Plan: To receive update.**
- 10. Bodycams for use by litter pickers: To consider the purchase of two bodycams.**
- 11. Any other information for noting. None.**
- 12. Date of next meeting: 13th May 2025 Annual Parish Meeting at 6.30pm and Parish Council Meeting at 7.00pm.**