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Members of **Grove Parish Council** are hereby summoned to the Annual Council meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 5 May 2026 at 7.30 pm in Old Mill Hall, Grove.

Members of the Press and Public are welcome to attend Council Meetings. As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record the meeting, please inform the Clerk that you wish to do prior to the start of the meeting.

Item 8 on this agenda has been set aside for members of the public to ask questions. A time limit of 5 minutes will be allocated for each questioner and will be at the discretion of the Chairman.

30 April 2026

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Parish Clerk

AGENDA

1. To elect the Council Chairman for the 2026/27 municipal year.
2. To receive the Chairman's declaration of Acceptance of Office.
3. To elect the Council Vice Chairman for the 2026/27 municipal year.
4. To receive apologies for absence.
5. To receive any declarations of Personal or Pecuniary Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.
6. To sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 7 April 2026.
7. To receive and note the Clerks report summary from the previous meeting(s).
8. To receive questions from the public relevant to items on the agenda for this meeting.
9. To consider membership to the following:
 - a. Up to 8 members to The Environmental Services and Planning committee.
 - b. Up to 8 members to The Leisure and Recreation.
 - c. Up to 4 members to the Finance and General Purposes committee.
 - d. Up to 4 members to the Staffing Sub-committee.
10. To discuss and consider representatives on outside bodies.
11. To review and consider the cheque signatories for Grove Parish Council 2026/27.
12. To review and consider members who will act as nominated dual authorisation signatories for BACS payments 2026/2027.
13. To review and consider the current list for payments made by Direct Debit and Standing Order.

14. To review and consider the effectiveness of the system of internal controls and the financial Risk Assessment for 2026/27.
15. To review and consider the following core documents:
 - Council Standing Orders
 - Financial Regulations
 - Treasury Management and Investment Policy
 - Scheme of Delegation
 - Code of Conduct
 - Information Publication Scheme

Please note all other documents and policies will be reviewed as and when necessary

16. To review and consider the Council's general insurance cover for 2026/27.
17. To agree the percentage increase in Budget to allow the Clerk and RFO to draft a budget for 2027/28 financial year.
18. To discuss and consider a request from Mike Hissey for free use of Old Mill Hall to host an event.
19. To receive recommendations from the Staffing Sub-committee.
 - a. It was **MOVED** Cllr Dexter **SECONDED** Cllr Stock and **RESOLVED** unanimously
“that the Council advertise both internally and externally for a new role of Deputy Head Groundsman immediately”
 - b. It was **MOVED** Cllr Stock **SECONDED** Cllr Ackers and **RESOLVED** unanimously
“that the Council advertise for a new both internally and externally role of Administrative Assistant immediately”
 - c. It was **MOVED** Cllr Ackers **SECONDED** Cllr Rolfe and **RESOLVED** unanimously
“that the Council re-advertise for the role of Outside Services Manager in October”
20. To discuss and consider the Council's position on weed spraying the footpaths within the parish of Grove.
21. To discuss and consider a request from the District Council for an application s106 funding for Wantage Lawn Tennis Club for £250,000 for pickle/padel tennis courts.
22. To receive Council Chairman communications.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be the Environmental Services and Planning committee to be held on Tuesday 19 May 2026. Items to be included in the agenda for this meeting are to be submitted by midday on Wednesday 14 May 2026