

Parks & Open Spaces Committee

25th February 2026

To: Members of the Parks & Open Spaces Committee

Councillors R Hailstone (Chair), S Heyes (Vice-Chair), J Ali, J Jackson, L Jackson, V Manro, O Munagala, R Ross, L Stevenson and R Worman

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to the Parks & Open Spaces Committee meeting of Haydon Wick Parish Council on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 to be held at the Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Haydon Wick, Swindon, SN25 1QQ at 7.30pm.

Members are politely asked to forward any questions or queries relating to items on the agenda to the Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Swindon Borough Council Ward Members, the public and press are also invited. Any questions for public participation must be sent to clerk@haydonwick.gov.uk no later than 12.00pm on Monday 2nd March 2026.

Yours sincerely,

Georgina Morgan-Denn

**Georgina Morgan-Denn BA (Hons), FSLCC
Chief Officer/Clerk & RFO**

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
To receive and note.
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
To receive any Declarations of Interest.
- 3. Public Participation**
A period not exceeding 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments.
- 4. Chairman's Announcements (if any)**
- 5. Minutes of the Previous Meetings**
To approve the minutes of the meeting to be held on Tuesday 6th January 2026 (attached).
- 6. Seven Fields**
To receive any matters arising from the Seven Fields.
- 7. Chief Officer/Deputy Clerk & Services Manager's Report**
To update on issues and actions since the last meeting that do not appear on the agenda.

8. Councillor Reports

To receive reports from members on attendance at external meetings or events and an opportunity for members to bring matters of interest to the attention of the Council for information or future discussion.

9. Parks & Open Spaces Report

A) To receive an update on the Parks & Open Spaces Maintenance Schedules and any other matters arising in the Parks & Open Spaces Team (attached).

B) To note the statistics for the reporting system for January and February (attached).

10. Rother Close/ Thames Avenue Bench Proposal

To receive a proposal from Swindon Borough Council to repurpose the wood from some Oak trees removed from this location late last year and install benches made by a local volunteer (attached).

11. Parks & Projects Team Update

A) To receive an update from the Parks & Projects (attached).

B) To receive a verbal update on the Francomes Play Area ownership investigation.

C) To receive an update on the Thyme Close Play Area project (attached).

12. Borough/ Parish Services Meeting

To note highlights from a meeting held with the Chief Officer, Deputy Clerk & Services Manager and Swindon Borough Council's Interim Services Manager on 2nd February 2026.

13. Actions Arising from Previous Meetings

To note any actions arising from previous meetings.

14. Budget Monitoring: Income & Expenditure

To receive the Income & Expenditure for Month 10 (to follow).

15. Items for the Next Agenda

To be sent to the Chief Officer before the next meeting - date to be arranged.

16. Exclusion of Public & Press

To resolve in accordance with Standing Order 3 (d) that 'in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted and in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they be instructed to withdraw'. Reasons: *Contractual*.

17. Ground Maintenance Facility

To receive an update (if available).

18. Security Contract

To agree costs associated with the Security Contract for King George V Play Area and Haydonleigh Skate Park (to follow).

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation), Crime and Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

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