



SHENSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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You are cordially invited to attend the meeting of Full Council to be held on
Tuesday 14 April 2026 at Little Aston Village Hall at 7.15pm.

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Parish Clerk/RFO - Shenstone Parish Council

Date of notice: 8 April 2026

AGENDA

- 163 Register of members in attendance
- 164 Acceptance of apologies.
- 165 Public Participation.
Members of the public are invited to address Council for a maximum of 15 minutes.
- 166 Declarations of interest. Members should consider whether they should partake in any discussion or vote on matters on the agenda unless they have a dispensation:
- 167 To accept and confirm minutes of the last Full Council meeting on Tuesday 10 March 2026
- 168 To receive reports from District, County Councillors and link to local Police [Staffordshire Police smart alerts](#)

169 **Finance.**

Current financial position as of Wednesday 8 April 2026

Unity Account £7,382.13 Nat West Current Account

£1,031.30. Nat West Business Reserve £11,083.14 Nat West Liquidity

Account Ring Fenced funds for earmarked projects £66,098.59

1. Financial transactions for March 2026 for approval

2. Consideration of current financial position against budget and forecast to 31 March 2026

RECOMMENDATION: Fully approved for proposed resolution at Council.

Next meeting of the Finance, Legal, Health & Safety Committee

Tuesday 21 April 2026 (note change of date)

170 Clerk's report and update on outstanding items from last meeting:

- **Review of contracts**, for Utilities and IT support.
- **Telephone & Broadband** issues re BT incorrect disconnection.
- **Lengthsman recruitment update**
- **Councillor training** – to consider an in-house training session by SPCA to help Councillors understand their financial responsibilities.

171 **Audit of financial records, procedures and systems – Cllr D Smith**

Resolution: The Parish Clerk to be instructed to find and work with.

- i. A new suitably qualified and experienced Internal Auditor for the year ending 31 March 2027.
- ii. To carry out an interim audit to include the review of all the Councils financial systems, transactions, controls, processes and terms of reference.
- iii. To investigate the award, suitability, management, scrutiny and control of supplier contracts over the past few years.
- iv. The Auditor to present their full report and recommendations to Full Council only for action.

- 172 • **Grants** for Grounds Maintenance for Shenstone/Stonnall and Little Aston playing fields and community grants.
- To review the proposed new procedure for grants from 1 April 2026 – Cllr A Pugh

RECOMMENDATION: To approve and adopt the revised procedure.

173 **Planning.**

Approve planning applications received in last month and update on any objections/ developments.

Next meeting of the Neighbourhood, Planning & Property Committee Meeting: Tues 26 May 2026, at 5.30pm Parish Office.

174 **Neighbourhood plan reviews.** (if any)

Shenstone and Stonnall- update & next steps:

RECOMMENDATION from Planning & Property meeting held 24 March 2026, the Clerk to set up a tracker of agreed objectives.

Little Aston. Feedback from Little Aston Consultation meeting held 31 March 2026

- 175 **Calder Bridge**, update re damage to bridge, and potential work required. **ACTION** required: To ascertain work required and associated costs to repair or replace including professional survey.

- 176 **Website - ACTION** required: For councillors to review quotes received and website design requirements to feed back to Finance Committee by Friday 17 April 2026

- 177 **Shenstone Station Car Park Tree felling** – Cllr D Thompson

- 178 **Projects Tracker** Cllr D Thompson - **ACTION** required– the Clerk to set up a tracker of projects.

- 179 **Parish Magazine** – to agree dates and articles for 2026 including considering the cost of distribution of them. – Cllr D Thompson.

- 180 **Playing fields grounds maintenance** – **ACTION** a member from each location to do a contract review – Cllr D Thompson

- 181 **Severn Trent Pinfold Hill Pumping Station** update if any (Cllr D Thompson)

CLOSED SESSION Under the public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, a resolution has been made for the public and press to be excluded from the meeting at this point during consideration of the following item 182

- 182 **Storage of Council Owned equipment** – update on proposed location and purchase of a shed.

RECOMMENDATION – to approve the quote of £1,490 incl VAT

- 183 **Next meeting of Full Council Tuesday 12 May 2026 at Shenstone Community Library at 7.15pm**