



DRINKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO COUNCILLORS

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Council on

Monday 7th September 2026 at 8.00pm

Drinkstone Village Hall, Gedding Road, IP30 9SZ

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

are hereby notified of the meeting which they are welcome to attend and where public input will be invited.

AGENDA

- 1) To receive Apologies for Absence**
- 2) To receive Declarations of Interest**
- 3) To receive any Applications for Dispensation**
- 4) To approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 6th July 2026**
- 5) To receive the County Councillor's Report – *County Councillor Matt Bentley***
- 6) To receive the District Councillor's Report – *District Councillor Nicky Willshire***
- 7) Public Participation Session – *Limited to 15 minutes with 3 minutes per person. Members of the public may raise any matter affecting the parish.***
- 8) To receive the Clerk's Report including the following Financial Matters**
 - a) To receive the Clerk's Report
 - b) To authorise Payments and note Receipts
 - c) To receive and approve the Finance Report
 - d) To receive the Bank Reconciliation
 - e) To receive the Budget Monitoring Report
 - f) To approve the 2026/2027, pay award increase – see NALC Document sent out with agenda.
- 9) Highways**

To receive any reports on highway matters and consider if they require raising to Highways, other authorities or require another action.

 - a) To receive an update on the installation of a traffic post to mount a SID
 - b) To consider options for SID battery maintenance
 - c) To receive an update on proposed traffic management for Blacksmith Corner Railings
 - d) To discuss proposal to hire Groundsman to cut back vegetation at Blacksmith Corner.
 - e) To receive an update on the Grit Bin at Blacksmith Corner
- 10) Village Assets**

To receive report on village assets
- 11) Footpaths and Allotments**

To receive report on footpath and allotment matters

 - a) To discuss the proposed Footpath Link between Hesselton and Drinkstone

12) Community Engagement

To receive report on community engagement

13) Co-option of new Councillors

14) Planning Applications

- a) *For discussion and decision – (including any applications / decisions received since the publication of this agenda)*

Ref: DC/26/03081 Householder Application -Alterations, restoration and refurbishment of detached dwelling with associated outhouses - Kingfisher, The Street, Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9SX

Ref: DC/26/02960 Householder Application - Erection of an extension and a garage - Chesil Cottage, Cross Street, Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9TP

Ref: DC/26/03362 Application for Listed Building Consent - Fitment of 15 solar panels on southwest and 15 solar panels on southeast facing roofs of extension built 2001 - Chestnuts, Rattlesden Road, Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9TN

Ref: DC/26/03361 Householder Application - Fitment of 15 solar panels on southwest and 15 solar panels on southeast facing roofs of extension built 2001 - Chestnuts, Rattlesden Road, Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9TN

- b) *To receive Planning Decisions from the Local Authority*

Ref: DC/26/03285 Application to carry out works to tree(s) protected by a tree preservation order - Home Farm, The Street, Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9SX – Granted

15) To review and approve Policies, Documents and Procedures

- a) DPC01 Standing Orders 2026
- b) DPC02 Financial Regulations 2026
- c) DPC03 Scheme of Delegation 2026
- d) DPC04 Standing Orders 2026

16) Litter Picking

17) Matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council – *Items for consideration and/or inclusion on the next agenda. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision-making.*

18) To approve the date of the next meeting – Monday 2nd November 2026 at 8pm