

Godstone Parish Council

(serving the Villages of Godstone, South Godstone and Blindley Heath)

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AGENDA

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE FULL MEETING OF GODSTONE PARISH COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON **MONDAY 5th October 2026** AT 7.30 PM AT ST STEPHENS CHURCH, SOUTH GODSTONE.
THE PUBLIC AND PRESS HAVE A RIGHT AND ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE PRESENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY WILL BE GIVEN TO ASK QUESTION

1. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed twenty (20 minutes unless directed by the Chairman of the meeting. A member of the public may speak for no longer than five (5) minutes.)

1.1 Questions and requests from residents in attendance

1.2 A resident has written to the Clerk asking if the Parish Council (PC) will consider nominating a bench on Godstone Green to be part of Claire Coutinho's, MP friendship scheme which involves having a plaque welcoming people to sit down & talk to someone if they are feeling lonely (Claire Coutinho supplies the plaque)

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2. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE (LGA 1972 s85)

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST [Register of Interests](#)

4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS – Brief report on matters affecting the Parish.

5. MINUTES of the Planning Committee Meeting of the 2nd of September and the full Parish Council (PC) meeting held on the 7th September 2026 and the Green Spaces Committee of the 7th September 2026 to be agreed and signed as a true record. (LGA 1972 Sch.12 s41)

6. REPORTS

6.1 Clerks Report - Matters to bring to the Councils attention

6.1.1 **Adult Outdoor Gym** – Application to the Secretary of State for permission for the surface submitted 25th September, all notices and advert place and consultees letters sent 25th September. CIL Fund agreement and documents completed and sent to TDC 17th September and subsequent questions answered. (Approx 15 – 20 hours of work).

6.1.2 **The Bounty** – the annual air-conditioning service was completed on the 1st October (£135.00 excl. VAT). The school have arranged for the tree growing into the external air source heat pump for the air-conditioning to be pollarded tomorrow. A date still needs to be agreed to dig the trench at the back of the bounty to stop water getting into the walls. The GSA advised they can move the goal posts at any time. The PC just needs to tell them when.

6.1.3 **Blindley Heath Pond accident** – The Assistant Clerk received everything required to submit the insurance claim for the damage caused by the car that entered the pond and has submitted the claim.

6.2 Chairperson's Report – (for noting) information only.

6.3 Reports (for noting) from representatives on outside bodies etc.

6.4 Reports from Committees

7. GREENS, COMMONS AND LAND

7.1 Godstone – Godstone Green; Greenview; Playground, Allotment and Hilly Fields

7.1.1 Godstone Green

7.1.1.1 No Horse riding or cycling sign for Surgery entrance requires a new post as the old one is too short. Contract a) quote received £335.04 excl. VAT for post and installation. To consider and agree or otherwise whether to proceed and which contractor to go with.

7.1.2 Greenview

7.1.3 Playground

7.1.3.1 To review and consider and agree or otherwise which contractor to choose for the post installation inspection for the Playground. Contractor a) £725 – includes 1 x Annual & 3 quarterly operational inspections (1 operational inspection would be a post installation inspection b) Post installation inspection and 1 x Annual inspection £350.00 extra operational inspections £100 (current lead time Jan 2027). c) 3 x safety inspections p/a £479.88 excl. VAT. To consider and agree or otherwise which contractor to go with.

7.1.4 Allotments

7.1.5 Hilly Fields

7.1.6 St Nicholas Church

7.2 Tilburstow Hill and The Enterdent

7.3 South Godstone

7.4 Blindley Heath

7.4.1 Dredging of the Pond - Cllr Farr advised SCC and a Blindley Heath resident that the PC would dredge the pond. Timing not discussed. PC does not have a budget to cover the cost of dredging in 2026/27. To consider and agree or otherwise whether the PC wishes to dredge the pond and if so timing.

7.5 Wayleaves & Garden Plots

7.5.1 **Maynards** - A person representing the owner of Maynards has written to the Clerk in association with the Wayleave for Maynards which they state we do not have the authority to charge as they believe the PC does not own the land. To consider and agree how to respond.

7.5.2 **Commercial Wayleaves** – To discuss the issue of Wayleaves at the Blindley Heath track and which properties should be paying commercial wayleave rates rather than domestic rates.

7.6 Burial Ground - Exclusive Rights of Burial Applications and Memorial Applications

7.6.1 Family refused permission for kerbing around a grave but has complained as other graves have kerbing, some without PC permission. To consider and agree or otherwise whether to allow families to have kerbing around the graves and if yes, what type of kerbing.

7.7 Tree works

7.7.1 To consider and agree or otherwise which contractor to choose for the tree survey work.

Area	Contractor A	Contractor B	Contractor C
Godstone Green	8165	9400	7868
The Enterdent	11050	6075*	9196
BH Common	2885	1200	1300
BH SSSI	0	650	180
BH Total	2885	1850	1480
Burial Grounds		1850	1720
Total	26685	21285	20,264
* See separate email from Contract B re traffic management			

8. FINANCE

8.1 Accounts for Payment - Approve OCTOBER accounts for payment.

8.2 Budget – To consider budget requirements for areas of responsibility and how Cllrs will feed in budget requirements for 2027/2028 to the Clerk by the 16th of October.

9. TDC ASSET TRANSFER

9.1 Featherstone Playground and Playing Field Update (Clerk)

10. GOVERNANCE

11. POLICIES & PROCEDURES

12. SALC/NALC

13. CORRESPONDENCE

14. MATTERS FOR REPORTING OR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS

15. AOB

15.1 To consider and agree or otherwise whether to nominate a Cllr to attend the South Tandridge Health & Wellbeing Meeting on 27 October , beginning at 9:45am at Godstone Baptist Church.

15.2 To consider and agree whether the PC Office can buy a new laminator as the existing one has broken and would not have passed a PAT test. Preapprove cost of up to £50.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Planning Committee Meeting – Wednesday 14th October 2026, 6:30pm at the Bounty, Godstone Green

Greenspaces Committee Meeting – Monday 26th October 2026, 10am at the Bounty, Godstone Green

Full Council Meeting – Monday 2nd November 2026, 7:30pm at St Stephens Church, South Godstone

Part 2 – To consider passing a resolution that pursuant to Section 1 part 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any business on the grounds that it is likely if the public were to remain, there would be a disclosure of exempt information.

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