BENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Scott Neville

Clerk: Mrs Louisa Thomson
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25th September 2026

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the **Parish Council Meeting** of Bentworth Parish Council on **Tuesday 6th October 2026 at 7.30pm, Jubilee Hall, Bentworth.**

Scott Neville, Simon Lane, Christian Browning & Sheena Robertson

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence.**

2. **Minutes –** To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2026.

3. **Declaration of Interest** – Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable Pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest as defined by regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Localism Act 2011. You must withdraw from the room or chamber when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter.

4. **Public Participation** – Opportunity for the public to speak on agenda items in accordance with Standing Orders.
   Councillor Co-option – There are currently four vacancies on the council which can be filled by co-option. Any new Councillor must complete the Declaration of Acceptance of Office before joining the next Parish Council meeting.

5. **Report from County Council**
6. **Report from District Council**

7. **Councillor Updates and Action Log Update**

8. **Christmas Tree -** Council to approve expenditure for the purchase of the village Christmas tree, £244 cost last year, approve circa £280.

9. **Grant Application -** Council to decide grant application received for replacement barrel and compost for the roundabout, £147.69.

10. **Pond** – Update

11. **AutoSpeedWatch –** Update

12. **Traffic Calming –** Update

13. **Speed Limit Reminder Device –** Report from David Maltby

14. **Community Updates** – Community Care, Neighbourhood Watch

15. **Accounts 2026/2027**
    Council to confirm appointment of April Skies Accounting to carry out the internal audit for the financial year 26-27 cost £370 plus travel from Farnham and for clerk to sign and return the engagement letter.

16. **Accounts 2026/2027**
    Council to approve the following payment and nominate councillor to approve the bank payments.

a)	Mrs L Thomson – Clerk's Salary September 2026	£TBC
b)	Mrs L Thomson – Clerk's Expenses September 2026	£TBC
c)	HM Revenue & Customs – July – September	£TBC
d)	DCK Payroll Solutions Ltd – Monthly Payroll processing	£ 38.28
e)	Mr C Browning – Village Pond materials	£ TBC
f)	Mr R Neville – Mailchimp monthly subscription September & Poster printing	£ 85.30

17. **Clerk's Salary**
    Then National Joint Council (NJC) for Local Government Services have agreed a pay increase.
    Council to confirm Clerk's salary increase of £0.55 per hour from 1st April 2026.

18. **Next Meeting -** Confirm the date of the next scheduled Council meeting, Tuesday 3rd November 2026.

19. **Close of meeting.**