



Billinge Chapel End Parish Council
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Billinge Chapel End Parish Council Meeting

To the Chair and Members of Billinge Chapel End Parish Council you are summoned to attend a full council meeting to be held on Monday 22nd June 2026 at 7.30pm at The Public Hall, 216 Main Street, Billinge WN5 7PE.

Karen Newton - Clerk to the Council

Agenda

1. Apologies

To receive and approve apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations related to items on the agenda.

3. Minutes

To approve the minutes of:

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council – Monday 18th May 2026

Full Council Meeting - Monday 18th May 2026

4. Public Participation

In accordance with the Council's Standing Orders, members of the public may address the Council at the discretion of the Chairman for a limited period. Matters raised will be noted and, where appropriate, referred for consideration at a future meeting. No decisions will be taken under this item.

5. Billinge Medical Practice/Dam Slacks

To consider any updates

To consider Dam slacks play area for relocation of the surgery

6. Proposal for a Bandstand at Bankes Park, Billinge

Purpose

To explore the feasibility of installing a bandstand in Bankes Park for the benefit of residents and visitors, providing a focal point for community events, live music, performances, and other outdoor activities.

Background

Bankes Park is a valued community asset within Billinge. A bandstand could enhance the park's facilities, encourage greater community use, support local musicians and groups, and provide a venue for seasonal events and celebrations.

Proposal

That Billinge Chapel End Parish Council:

1. Supports in principle the installation of a bandstand in Bankes Park.
2. Opens discussions with St Helens Borough Council regarding ownership, permissions, and suitability of a location within the park.
3. Consults with residents to gauge community support for the project.
4. Investigates potential funding opportunities, including grants, sponsorship, fundraising, and partnership funding.
5. Requests that a feasibility study and indicative costings be obtained before any final decision is made.

Expected Benefits

- Increased community engagement and social activities.
- Opportunities for local bands, choirs, schools, and community groups to perform.
- Enhanced attractiveness of Bankes Park.
- Potential to host community events and celebrations throughout the year.

Recommendation

That the Parish Council considers this proposal and, if supported, establishes a working group or appoints representatives to progress discussions with St Helens Borough Council and identify funding opportunities.

7. Finance & Governance

7.1 To approve the Payment Schedule May 2026.

7.2 To approve the bank reconciliations for May 2026.

7.3 To note the publication of items over £100.00 for May 26 on the parish council website.

7.4 To approve & authorise payment for June 26 Payments

7.5 To approve Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement of the AGAR 2025/26.

7.6 To approve Section 2 – Accounting Statements of the AGAR 2025/26.

7.7 To receive and note Page 3 of the AGAR 2025/26 (Internal Auditor's Report),

7.8 To receive and consider the AI Report.

7.9 To consider and approve the actions proposed within the Clerk's Summary of the audit actions and agree any further actions required by the Council.

7.10 To receive and **note** the explanation of significant variances in the Accounting Statements

7.11 To receive the Bank Reconciliation as of 31st May 2026

7.12 To note the dates for the exercise of public rights and the publication of the Notice of Public Rights for the 2025/26 accounts.

7.13 To approve payment of **£3,140.35** to WorkNest for the final year of the Health & Safety contract.

7.14 To Note Banking Report and **consider** options.

8. Planning Applications

To consider and **comment** on any planning applications received from the Local Planning Authority, and to agree the Council's responses where required.

P/2026/0242/HHFP

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

17 Douglas Avenue Billinge St Helens WN5 7QY

Single storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory along with

P/2026/0249/HHPA

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

10A Main Street Billinge Prior approval for a single storey rear extension

P/2026/0269/FUL

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

Birchley Hall Birchley Road Billinge St Helens WN5 7QJ

Change of use of existing nursing home annex building (C2) to doctors' surgery (E).

P/2026/0278/HHFP

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

21 Claremont Road Billinge St Helens WN5 7LT

Single storey rear and side extension.

P/2026/0282/LBC

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

Birchley Hall Birchley Road Billinge St Helens WN5 7QJ

Listed building consent for change of use of annex building connected to Grade II Listed Building (C2), to doctors

P/2026/0265/HHFP

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

The Old Vicarage Beacon Road Billinge St Helens WN5 7HF

Proposed rear extension, loft conversion, addition of dormer windows to side and rear and new entrance porch.

P/2026/0301/HHFP

Billinge And Seneley Green Ward

2 Wells Avenue Billinge St Helens WN5 7NN

Retrospective application for erection of 1.8m fence, removal of hedgerow and other landscaping works.

9. BT – Broadband

To consider the update received regarding a new contract and a separate contract for the reading room.

10. Tree Survey

To receive an update on the recent tree survey

To receive an email request for Payment **£336.87** (invoice will be requested)

To receive an email regarding the 3 large trees regarding their height.

11. Relocation of Fencing/CCTV

To consider the removal of the existing fencing and its relocation to the right-hand side of the building.

To consider an update regarding the CCTV system.

12. Public Hall Reading Room

To consider any updates on the Public Hall Reading Room

13. Reports from Parish Council Representatives

To consider reports from parish council representatives on committees, working groups, and outside bodies.

14. Reports and Correspondence (Information Only)

To receive the Police Report and any other correspondence for information.

15. MALC

To consider a representative for MALC

16. Date and Time of Next Meetings

To confirm the date and time of the next meeting(s) **Monday 20th June 2026 7.30 PM.**

Signed: Karen Newton

Date 15/06/2026

Press and public are welcome to attend.