



BIRCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillors are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Birch Parish Council which will be held on Tuesday 2 June 2026 at Birch Memorial Hall, Birch Street at 7.30pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out on the attached agenda.

SIGNED (CLERK): *ABalcombe* **DATE:** 26 May 2026

THE PRESS & PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

AGENDA

26/73. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.

26/74. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

26/75. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

To approve the minutes of 7 April 2026 as a correct record of events.

26/76. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests on any matters covered by this agenda.

26/77. REPORTS.

- **Essex County Council (ECC).**
- **Colchester City Council (CCC).**

26/78. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

The public may ask questions relating to the work and services of the Council. Questions cannot always be answered at the meeting but will be dealt with appropriately. If any question is to be discussed by Councillors it will be added to the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

26/79. PROGRESS CHECK.

A brief update on any actions from the last meeting.

26/80. FINANCE.

Payments made / money received:

102034 £642.24 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Expenses)

26/81. PLANNING.

Application No: 260849 & 260850. Listed building consent for proposed double garage with office in roof space.

Location: Garlands Farm, Garlands Road, Birch CO2 0NS.

26/82. ECC SALT BAG PARTNERSHIP.

To support local communities to help themselves during periods of heavy snow and build on their community resilience, Essex County Council would like to make available to each participating Parish Council a one tonne wrapped pallet made up of individual 25kg bags for use by the community on the local highway. ECC is offering this free of charge again this year. Closing date: 21 July 2026.

26/83. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Cllr Andrew Harding – introductory email from the newly elected Essex County Councillor for Birch.

CALC – agenda for the next meeting to be held on 4 June, 7pm at Stanway Village Hall.

26/84. PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

26/85. MEETING DATES 2026.

7 July, 1 September, 6 October, 3 November (Budget Meeting), 1 December.

CLOSE OF MEETING