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To: All Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of Dedham Parish Council at 6:30 p.m. on Monday 2nd November 2026 at the Duchy Barn, Dedham for the purpose of transacting the following business. Members of the press and public are welcome:

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AGENDA

- 26/149 Welcome and apologies of absence.**
- 26/150 Declaration of Members Interests**
- 26/151 Public Open Forum (maximum 15 mins)**
- 26/152 Approval of the minutes of the of 5th October and 26th October 2026**
- 26/153 Matters arising from these minutes including updates on Action points progress**
- 26/154 Visitors Report (ECC and Colchester City Council)**
- 26/155 Parish Plan update**
- 26/156 To approve the tender and budget of playground project – papers circulated to councillors**
- 26/157 AI Policy discussion**
- 26/158 Finance, standards and Procedures report**
 - 158.1 To approve payments in accordance with the 26/27 Budget
 - 158.2 Grant applications: these have been circulated to councillors prior to meeting
 - a. Christmas Market, Dedham Fun Run update from last meeting

- grant request £3,467 from School £8,541 from Fun Run -=£12,008
- b. Church grant applications request £3,000
- c. Village Residents Christmas Meal grant request £1,200
- d. Stour River Trust grant request £2,256

26/159

Planning report recommendations on planning applications listed below:

26/159.1 Update from Planning meeting 2nd November 2026

26/159.2 Local Plan comments submitted

26/159.3 Planning applications since last meeting:

261728 - Loke End, High Street, Dedham Colchester CO7 6HJ

T1 - Sweet Chestnut - Crown reduction by up to 40% due to multiple failed limbs over the last 12 months

261849 - Hegeston, Long Road West, Dedham Essex CO7 6ES

Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 242072 by replacing approved drawing 0216-A-200 with Drawing 9216-A-200 submitted with this application, showing the natural slate roof covering. Approved drawings 0216-A-001 and 0216-A-002.

261752 – Shelley Glebe Barn, Grove Hill, Dedham Colchester CO7 6DT

Retrospective application for the retention of an existing timber shelter measuring approximately 4m + 4m and its associated timber deck measuring approximately 9m + 5m, together with the change of use of the small area immediately around them

26/159.4 Planning decisions since last meeting

261498 - 4 Church View, Long Road West, Dedham, Colchester, CO7 6EX

Installation of a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system

CCC decision: Approved conditional

261459 - Hillside, The Heath, Dedham, Colchester, CO7 6BU

Proposed single storey rear extension

CCC decision: Approved conditional

26/160

Infrastructure

160.1 Report from Working Party meeting 28th September 2026

160.2 Essex Youth Services - Service Level Agreement 26/27 - to be discussed and approved

160.3 Dedham Sports Club / Tennis Club Separate Electricity Supply

To consider and approve, in principle, the provision of a separate electricity supply to the Tennis Club, with detailed costs and funding arrangements to be presented for separate Council approval at a future meeting.

160.4 To approve and agree a new lock for Royal Square end barrier to the Drift

160.5 Sports Club working party: To receive update from Chair

160.6 Trading Bay: To note that further correspondence has been received by NEPP which requires discussion (in accordance with previous DPC minute). In

the meantime, DPC is unable to consider any new applications for use of the bay.

160.7 Memorial tree: contact has been made with Barcham trees who are investigating decision to fund.

160.8 Mobile mast: no progress to report but new initiative being explored by PH.

160.9 Village benches: to report new application from resident for a memorial bench along the Drift for parents in conformity with approved DPC policy: to be self-funded. Recommended for approval.

160.10 New speed signs: to report discussions progressing with police and possible recommendation to follow for one new sign to commence.

161.11 Repair and renovation of village sign: to note agreement reached with Dedham Art Club to undertake work and to support donation in recognition

161.12 Padel Working Party: update

161.13 Village roundabout: to note concerns about condition of existing roundabout and possible action consequent upon received advice on repair.

161.14 Village footpaths: to note concerns expressed by some residents on outcomes this year and to review policy and processes along with potential to retender for next year.

161.15 To note that the Chair had attended an EALC training session on responsibility for managing condition of our War Memorial and to note that no further action was proposed at present other than to pursue discussions with Co-op about the impact in summer of their selling of slushes.

26/161 **Personnel Committee**
26/161 report of meeting

26/162 **Communications**
To report on progress of website development

26/163 **Training**
Training requirements to be given to clerk

26/164 **Clerk's Report**

26/165 **Next meeting**

Next council meeting Monday 7th December 2026