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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 7th September 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

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| 26/102 | Welcome and apologies of absence. |
| 26/103 | Declaration of Members Interests |
| 26/104 | Public Open Forum (maximum 15 mins) |
| 26/105 | Approval of the minutes of the of 20th and 27th July 2026 |
| 26/106 | Matters arising from these minutes including updates on Action points progress |
| 26/107 | Visitors Report (ECC and Colchester City Council) |
| 26/108 | Legal update - Playing Fields |
| 26/109 | To confirm the establishment, membership and terms of reference of the Dedham Sports Club Working Party (to follow post receipt of legal advice) |
| 26/110 | Update on river and meadows issues including cost to address jumping off the bridge |
| 26/111 | Progress on Play Park development |
| 26/112 | Dedham Vale Forum proposal |

- 26/113 Update of village sign including agree the cost of A1 wall mounted sign is £62 plus VAT and the two swing signs are £148 plus VAT for the new village sign quote at the river.**
- 26/114 Padel tennis; To agree Feasibility Study and Terms of Reference (to follow)**
- 26/115 Finance, standards and Procedures report**
 115.1 To approve payment of £2,945.40 to Solicitors for the payment for legal works to date.
 115.2 To approve payments in accordance with the 26/27 Budget
 115.3 External Auditors report.
 115.3 Standing order amendment as per audit to be agreed.
- 26/116 Planning report recommendations on planning applications listed below:**
 26/116.1 Update from Planning meeting 6th July 2026

 26/116.2 Planning applications
 261551 - Coopers Bottom, Coopers Lane, Dedham Colchester CO7 6AX
 Proposed canopy to external dining terrace
 261459 - Hillside, The Heath, Dedham Colchester CO7 6BU
 Proposed single storey rear extension
 261537 - Lamb Cottage, Birchwood Road, Dedham Colchester CO7 6ED
 Proposed alterations to existing workshop and proposed gym
 261498 - 4 Church View, Long Road West, Dedham Colchester CO7 6EX
 Installation of a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system comprising 8 black solar panels (total capacity 3.52kWp, UKSOL) on the front facing roof slope of the dwelling
 261508 - The Old Bookshop, High Street, Dedham Colchester CO7 6HA
 Listed building consent application for replacement of bay window and front door.
 261506 - Meadow Cottage, Mill Lane, Dedham Colchester CO7 6DH
 Remove all conifers inside gate to right hand side. The owner is concerned due to the fire risk of discarded cigarette ends catching these alight and having a thatched roof on the property. I believe this has been confirmed by Manningtree fire services.
 261241 The Old Post Office, High Street, Dedham Colchester CO7 6HA
 T1 - Holly and T2 - Laurel - Reduce in height by up to 2m and then reduce sides in by up to 1m whilst still keeping rounded shape.
 261299 Brook Street, Dedham Colchester CO7 6AD
 Brook Street, Dedham 033478 ¹ Crown lift the Common Ash to provide 6m clearance over the highway to facilitate the safe passage of high-sided vehicles. 033479 ¹ Crown lift the Common Ash to provide 6m clearance over the highway to facilitate the safe passage of high-sided vehicles.
 261370 1 Hallfields Cottage, Manningtree Road, Dedham Colchester CO7 6AE

The demolition of existing rear extension and outbuilding, and construction of new side and rear extension, providing a new kitchen and playroom at ground floor, and two additional bedrooms at first floor

26/116.3 Planning Applications – Decisions received since last meeting
None at time of posting of agenda

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Infrastructure

- 117.1 Infrastructure Group report and recommendations
- 117.2 Trading Bay Policy – to consider and approve recommendations in Group Report (attached)
- 117.3 Mobile Phone coverage and mast- update
- 117.4 To approve circulated Service Level Agreement for Youth Club
- 117.5 To note completed removal of damaged tunnel in children's play area and associated making good and receipt of ROSPA Report which has a number of minor recommendations which our Village Warden is addressing.
- 117.6 Parking Signage update- To agree proposals for new signage on Drift regarding priority for pedestrians
- 117.7 Cycle Racks - - to note that no proposals to be pursued at this time but position to be kept under review.
- 117.8 Update on Village Sign - To report withdrawal of Men's Sheds
- 117.9 Speed cameras - To note report from AA and proposal for approval of two speed cameras for variable sites in village at a cost of £10,333.20
- 117.10 Parish Footpaths update
- 117.11 Water on Castle Hill

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Communications

- 26/118.1 Dedham image update
Report which includes the web site operation, development and management as well as Dedham Image update

26/119

Training including initial reflections on training day

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Clerk's Report

Reminder 15th September 2026 Fun Run on field

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Next meeting

Consider informal meeting to discuss outcomes of training day -possibly 28th September
Next council meeting Monday 5th October

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Closure of meeting