



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Parish Council to be held at Moretonhampstead Community Centre on **Tuesday 7th April 2026 at 7.00pm**. The meeting will consider the items set out below.

Public Participation

If any members of the public wish to attend and speak at the meeting, please contact the Clerk in advance by email at clerk@moretonhampstead-pc.gov.uk or phone 01647 440041. The Clerk will explain the meeting process.

A public session will be held before the meeting to allow residents to ask questions or make comments to the Parish Council. Questions not answered at the time may receive a written response or be added to a future agenda. Public comments or questions are limited to three minutes.

AGENDA

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To consider requests from members of the public to make representations, answer questions or give evidence in respect of Council business under Standing Orders 3d to 3n.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To accept apologies for absence. Under Section 85 of the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, members present should decide whether to approve the reason(s) given for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Under the Localism Act 2011 and the Council's Code of Conduct, members must declare any interests not already registered or notified to the Monitoring Officer. Requests for dispensations should be submitted in writing to the Clerk before the meeting.

4. MINUTES

To accept as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 3rd March 2026 *LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)*.

5. STANDING ITEM – CLIMATE AND ECOLOGY EMERGENCY:

To note the Council's Climate and Ecology Emergency Declaration and commit to embedding it across all services, activities, plans, and decisions, ensuring environmental impact is considered and a fully integrated approach to climate change mitigation is adopted.

6. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

To receive reports of the County Councillor, District Councillor, and the Dartmoor National Park representative if available

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To ensure the tasks actioned at the previous meeting have been completed:

- The council's response to the Local Government Reorganisation Engagement Exercise has been submitted
- The council's letter regarding Highways issues has been sent to Devon County Council
- The failed memorials have been made safe

8. CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

To note matters under the Chairman's discretion

9. OPEN SPACES REPORT

To receive the monthly report *Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10*

10. CLIMATE CHANGE & ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

To receive the monthly report

11. INTERNAL CONTROLS COUNCILLOR

To receive the report of the Internal Controls Councillor *Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 Regulation 3*

12. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

To approve the list of payments (to be tabled at the meeting) *LGA 1972 s150 (5)*

13. CORRESPONDENCE

To receive correspondence (attached) and to agree any response or action:

1. Correspondence received and circulated from Devon County Council regarding the proposed Electric Vehicle Recharging Point Parking Amendment Order
2. Correspondence received and circulated from a resident requesting Council support to purchase an external secure case for a donated defibrillator and permission to install it in Docombe for community use.
3. Correspondence received and circulated from Bennett Leisure Planning regarding Teignbridge District Council's new Playing Pitch Strategy, requesting information on local outdoor sports facilities, usage, issues, and future aspirations

14. YOUTH FORUM

To note the creation of a new Youth Forum and consider the Parish Council's involvement *Localism Act 2011*

15. FINANCE AND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

To receive the draft minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Policy committee held on 17th March 2026 (attached) and to agree the following recommendations:

1. Recommendation regarding awarding the first round of grants (attached)
2. Recommendation to approve the Financial Regulations (attached).
3. Recommendation to approve the Standing Orders (attached).
4. Recommendation to approve the Risk Assessment (attached).
5. Recommendation to approve the Statement of Internal Control (attached).

16. HIGHWAYS

To receive the clerk's report and to agree any actions

17. TOILETS

To receive the clerk's report and to agree any actions

18. HOSPITAL

To receive an update on the Hospital

19. PARISH HALL

To receive an update from the Council's Parish Hall representative

SIGNED: *Samantha Parkin* (Parish Clerk) **DATE:** 30/03/2026