

FORTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council
in the Methodist Church Hall on Monday 7th April 2025**

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr J Farebrother

2. Notification of Interests

To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March 2025.

4. Public Participation

The meeting will be adjourned to allow residents to speak. Please note that the Council may not make any lawful decisions during this session – any items raised by members of the public may be considered for a future agenda. Members of the public are defined as any persons present other than the parish council members or officials.

Wyre Councillor Charlotte Brieanne Walker

County Councillor Matthew Salter

Police – PCSO Creighton

The meeting will be resumed.

5. Planning

Application Number: 25/00166/FUL

Proposal: Proposed change of use of land from agriculture to forestry.

Location: Centre Farm Cockerham Road Forton Lancaster Lancashire
(comments received from Cllr Young)

Application Number: 25/00221/FUL

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension

Location: Park Drive, Park Lane, Forton

Application Number: 23/00807/OUTMAJ

Proposal: Outline application for the phased development comprising of the erection of up to 17 self-build housing units (C3) with access applied for

Location: Land Adjacent to Winder Lane House, Winder Lane, Forton

Application Number: 25/00196/FUL

Proposal: Proposed single storey side extension, loft conversion including side dormer, rooflights solar panels, and external alterations.

Location: Ballalona, 2 The Meadows, Forton

Late applications may be discussed as necessary.

6. Councillors updates – contributions made over last 12 months (see attached)

7. New Community Hall – Cllr Young / Alice Jesmont

8. Convenience Store

Enquiry from a member of the public regarding updates on the convenience store? Has this been put out to tender to potential companies? Charles Church have been approached and told to contact FPC.

9. Finance

The following payments have been made during the month of February / March:

CPRE	Membership	£36.00
Fast lanyard company	Lanyards for Councillors & Clerk	£163.28
Easy websites	Monthly Maintenance March	£58.08
Post Office	Postage stamps	£13.20
Microsoft	Microsoft 365 annual subscription	£84.99
Clerks wages	March 2025 based on average 6 hours p/w	£376.08
Clerks expenses	Working from home	£26.00

Reconciliation of Bank Balances as at 29.3.25

NatWest current account	£49,898.61
Bonus Saver account	£10,753.13
Total Resources	£60,651.74

10. Parish Reports / issues from Councillors

Parish Maintenance

- Litter Picking
- Oak trees for planting – Cllr Dodgson
- White Carr Farm reports of hedge removal – Cllr Dodgson

SPID

11. Cllr Huddart updates

- New lanyards for councillors
- Payment for green bin- early bird offer if paid for between 01/05 and 30/06 - £40.
- Village Hall planning app approved + other applications.
- Follow-up on police bike donation
- Bollard at Hollins Lane play area
- 106 training
- Reminder re-election 1st May
- Village Hall meetings report

12. Clerks updates

- Electoral register copies
- Request from Quernmore Parish Council re where SPID signs came from?
- 2024/25 AGAR submission deadline – 1st July 2025

13. Agenda for next meeting

Any items that will need a resolution will be deferred to the next meeting and placed on the agenda to allow information on the subject to be gathered.

Councillors can report defective street lighting; blocked drains etc. to the Clerk at any time and these will be reported on the Love Clean Streets App.

14. Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is due to take place a week later than usual on **Monday 12th May 2025 at 7pm** in the Methodist Church Hall, (due to May Bank Holiday).