



Councillors are hereby summoned, and residents are cordially invited, to attend the meeting of Harrold Parish Council on **Tuesday 16th June 2026** at 7.30pm at the **Harrold Centre Main Hall** to consider the following items of business.

AGENDA

- 1 **Public Open Session:** This council is committed to community engagement and therefore warmly invites members of the public to contribute during this part of the meeting. Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicised on the agenda. Please note that interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.
- 2 **Apologies for Absence**
- 3 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda and consideration of any dispensations**
- 4 **To approve the minutes of the annual parish council meeting** held on 19th May 2026.
- 5 **Clerk's Report on Actions**
- 6 **Financial Matters**
 - To approve payments and note receipts, balances, and the budget variance report.
 - Annual accounts (2025/26): To receive the internal audit report and approve sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) form.
 - To approve the use of the existing internal auditor, Julie Betts, for another year.
- 7 **Grounds Maintenance**

To agree a quote for vegetation clearance at Harewelle Way playground.
- 8 **Street Furniture and Play Equipment Cleaning**

To consider the introduction of a periodic pressure cleaning programme for parish council assets, including benches, litter bins and play equipment, and to delegate authority to the Clerk to arrange the works.
- 9 **Planning**
 - a) Neighbourhood Development Plan – Major Refresh

Following the council's previous decision to establish a Steering Group for the Neighbourhood Development Plan major refresh, to consider and approve the proposed Terms of Reference, application form for residents wishing to join the Steering Group, and appointment of a planning consultant to support the review.
 - b) Planning applications

To consider responding as a consultee to any applications received from Bedford Borough Council since the last meeting, including any received after the agenda has been published:

APPLICATION NO: 26/00970/FUL Full Planning Application
PROPOSAL: One and two storey front, side and rear extensions, loft conversion and new detached garage.
LOCATION : 5 Hall Close Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7DU

APPLICATION NO: 26/01069/LBC Listed Building Consent Application
PROPOSAL: Replacement of Crittall windows to the Schoolroom at The Old School House with slimline aluminium double glazed units (retaining timber frames and mullions etc with the exception of those within the lean-tos)
LOCATION : The Old School House 4 The Green Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7DB

c) Previous Planning Applications

To receive any status updates on prior planning applications or appeals.

10 **Borough Councillor's report for Harrold Ward**

Distributed to councillors prior to the meeting and made available on the parish council website.

11 **Business for future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)**

To inform the Clerk of any immediate motions to be added to a future agenda. Items can also be emailed to the Clerk.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 21st July 2026 – Harrold Centre