



SHIPSTON ON STOUR TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

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To: Cllrs T Booth (Mayor), R Walters (Deputy Mayor), I Cooper, P Tesh, J Barker, G Kelly, H Kelly, C Howarth, M Kelly, J Williams, V Benjamin-Smith and S Crockett of Shipston on Stour Town Council.

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the above-named Council, convened by the Town Mayor, Cllr T Booth, to be held at Council Chambers, New Clark House, **Monday 12th January 2026** commencing at 7pm.

RECORDING (AUDIO AND/OR VIDEO) OF COUNCIL MEETINGS AND USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

During the meeting the public are allowed to record the Council and Officers from the public seating area only, providing it does not disrupt the meeting. Any items in the exempt part of an agenda cannot be recorded and no recording device is to be left behind. The use of social media is permitted, but all members of the public are requested to switch their mobile devices to silent for the duration of the meeting.

Councillors are reminded that they must act solely in the public interest and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person or act to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, family, friends or associates.

The business is to be transacted as follows:

1	TO RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2	DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (Councillors are reminded that, unless they have been granted a dispensation, if they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter as defined by Regulations made by the Secretary of State where their interest is theirs, their spouse or civil partner's, they may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must also leave the room for the duration of the matter. They must also disclose the interest if it has not yet been entered on the Authority's register unless it is a sensitive interest)
3	TO NOTE REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION RECEIVED BY THE CLERK
4	MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING To confirm the minutes of the general meeting that took place on Monday 8 th December 2025
5	OPEN FORUM (15 minutes duration) Parishioners of Shipston are invited to address the Council on any relevant matter for a maximum of 3 minutes.

6	<p>SHIPSTON AREA FLOOD ACTION WORKING GROUP Minutes as circulated/verbal update</p> <p><u>Recommendation-that STC approves the purchase of a further 25 posts (1.8m) from Batsford Timber at a cost of £149.25 plus VAT. For collection, so no delivery charge.</u></p> <p><u>This will be costed against the SAFAG designated bank account (Maintenance Fund).</u></p>
7	<p>ENVIRONMENT WORKING GROUP Minutes as circulated/verbal update</p> <p><u>Recommendation that STC agree to adopt the Local Nature Action Plan</u></p>
8	<p>PLANNING COMMITTEE Minutes as circulated. All planning applications can be viewed at https://apps.stratford.gov.uk/eplanning/</p> <p>25/02994/ADV – The Lazy Pug, Church Street, Shipston on Stour, CV36 4AS – Proposed new public house signage to include; new pictorial sign with new bracket illuminated via trough light/2 sets of new house name individual letters illuminated by existing trough lights/ new non-illuminated amenity board/ 2 sets of signwriting/ 2 new snap frames non-illuminated</p>
9	<p>GENERAL PURPOSES/COMMUNICATIONS WORKING GROUP Tracker as circulated/verbal update</p>
10	<p>FINANCE WORKING GROUP Minutes as circulated/verbal update</p> <p><u>Recommendation that STC approve the appointment of a new internal auditor for the financial year 2026/2027 at a cost of £450</u></p> <p><u>Recommendation that STC increase the Stour Valley Lions Community Grant Award from £750 to £1000, for 2026/2027</u></p> <p><u>Recommendation that STC approve the appointment of Kendall & Davies Solicitors for Lease Purposes at a cost of £1600 plus VAT for New Clark House and up to £2000 plus VAT for The Hub</u></p> <p><u>Recommendation that STC approve the increase of between 5% and 10% for the 2026-2027 precept demand</u></p>
11	<p>FINANCE MATTERS Approvals list as circulated</p>

12	STAFFING WORKING GROUP Minutes as circulated/verbal update
13	LOCAL NATURE ACTION PLAN Verbal update
14	REPORTS
14.1	CLERKS REPORT For noting and discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To discuss the item from Appendix D of the WCC Cabinet Papers from the 11th December.
14.2	Town Council (STC) Verbal reports from Town Councillors concerning issues within Shipston
14.3	Stratford District Council (SDC) Reports as circulated/verbal update
14.4	Warwickshire County Council (WCC) Verbal update
14.5	Blue Light Update Reports as circulated/verbal update
14.6	Shipston Forum Verbal update
14.7	Ellen Badger Hospital Verbal update
14.8	Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership Minutes as circulated/verbal update
14.9	Shipston High School Verbal update
15	EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest, as if members of the public and press were present during the consideration of such business, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under paras 1 & 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

16	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 9th February 2026
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D. Hardiman

Debbie Hardiman – Deputy Clerk

E. Booth

Emily Booth – Deputy Clerk/RFO

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