



PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

8th April 2026

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Preesall Town Council on **Monday 13th April 2026 at 7pm** at Preesall Youth and Community Centre, Lancaster Road, Preesall.

Debbie Smith
Clerk to the Council

This meeting may be being recorded by the council, members of the public or the press.

Prior to the start of the meeting the chair will make an announcement to confirm if anyone present intends to record proceedings.

It is important to note that those intending to record do not have to indicate as such but are required to do this in a way that is not disruptive of the meeting and does not focus on the public gallery.

Members of the public participating in the meeting (e.g. making deputations, asking questions, making oral protests) should be aware that they may be filmed, recorded or reported on. If any member of the public speaking at the meeting does not wish to be recorded, they should let the chair of the meeting know.

"The chair of the meeting has the discretion to terminate or suspend filming or recording, if in their opinion continuation of the filming, recording or reporting would disrupt or prejudice the proceedings, infringe the rights of any individual or may lead to the breach of a legal obligation by the council."

AGENDA

1 Apologies for absence

2 Declaration of interests and dispensations

To receive from councillors, disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest on matters to be considered at the meeting.

3 Co-Option

The council resolved at the meeting of the full council on the 10th of March 2026 by a majority to elect Mr. Joseph Cawley onto the council. Mr. Cawley has been invited to attend the April meeting to be co-opted onto Preesall Town Council.

Mr. Cawley is now asked to read out loud and sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, witnessed by the Proper Officer, and will now be authorised to sit at the meeting as a full member of the council.

Cllr Cawley is to note that he is required by law to complete the Declaration of Interests forms within 28 calendar days of co-option and return them to the clerk within this time frame. To note the clerk will also co-ordinate with the website provider to provide Cllr Cawley with a council email address.

4 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors are asked to **approve** as a correct record the minutes, as presented, of the meeting held on 9th March 2026 (emailed).

5 Matters arising from the minutes of 9th March 2026

Councillors are asked to **discuss** and **resolve** any matters arising from the minutes. To note the clerk wishes to amend the minutes in regards minute 675.10 'General power of competence' (details will be provided by the clerk at the meeting).

6 Public participation

The mayor will ask councillors to agree to adjourn the meeting to allow non-councillors to speak. When dealing with public participation there is no obligation to respond immediately to comments made, other than those that relate to items on the agenda. If a councillor believes that comments received require a decision of the council and the item is not on the agenda, they can ask for this to be put on to the next meeting's agenda. At the conclusion of the public session the mayor will ask councillors to agree to reconvene the meeting.

7 Planning Applications

Councillors are asked to **discuss** and **consider** the application(s) below and **resolve** if they wish to object/not object, and if they wish to make any comments on the application(s).

Application Number: 26/00240/FUL – Deadline 14th April 2026

Proposal: Erection of stand-alone 5m x 6m concrete sectional garage and associated concrete base to rear of existing property

Location: 45 Park Lane Preesall Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire FY6 0LY

8 Finance

The chair of the finance committee will now report to the council on April's finances. Councillors are to **note** the chair of the finance committee will put forward to the council section 8a – 8f.

- a) The council is asked to **note** that the finance committee resolved to **note** April's receipts and direct debits and resolved all April's payments.
- b) The council is asked to **note** the finance committee has resolved the bank reconciliation to 28 February 2026. The total amount held within all the council's bank accounts is £168,659.39.
- c) The council is asked to note the bank statement balances below:

Bank Name	Date of Closing Balance	Amount of Closing Balance
Unity	31 st March 2026	£36,619.48
Virgin	28 th February 2026	£58,626.66
Hampshire	31 st March 2026	£51,347.06

(Any later balances will be provided as they are received)

- d) The finance committee have discussed changing the saving account within Hampshire Bank. Further information and any actions to be taken to be **resolved** will be put to the council at the meeting.
- e) The finance committee have discussed opening another bank account. Further information and any actions to be taken to be **resolved** will be put to the council at the meeting.
- f) Any other business to report to the council and any actions to be taken for resolution.

9 Police Station

Councillors are asked to **note** the discussions held by the meeting of the Joint Working Group of Over Wyre Parishes held on 18th March. The working group concluded at the meeting that although the parishes do see the benefit of a police presence, there are issues with the cost. The group do not know how much the rent would be, so Cllr Orme would ask sergeant Elliott Jones over this. The other issue is this would have to factor into each parishes budget, which takes place November/December each year.

The council are asked if they wish to **discuss** the matter further and **resolve** and actions.

10 Bus Times

Another matter brought to the attention of the Joint Working Group of Over Wyre Parishes was the bus timetable. Cllr Orme is to lead discussions. Councillors are asked to **discuss** the matter and **resolve** any actions.

11 Filming/Streaming of Future Council Meetings

A member of the public has requested that future council meetings to be filmed/streamed to allow further reach to residents. (Information emailed). Councillors are asked to **discuss** the matter and **resolve** any actions.

12 Speeding on Park Lane

MP Cat Smith has asked if the council are able to assist with the issue of speeding cars on Park Lane. (Information emailed). Councillors are asked to **discuss** the matter and **resolve** any actions.

13 Bus Shelter situated in Preesall

Councillors are to discuss a new bus shelter to be situated in Preesall to match shelters already installed in Knott End, Cllr Shepard to lead discussions. (Quote emailed)

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

13 Reports from subject leads and outside body representatives

No written reports have been received at the issue time of the agenda.

14 Verbal reports from Wyre councillors

Wyre councillors will report any items relevant to the area.

15 Clerk's report

Councillors are asked to read the clerk's report prior to the meeting for any updates, members may ask the clerk any questions in relation to the report (clerk's report emailed)

16 Mayor's report

An opportunity for the Mayor to report on events and activities.

17 Questions to councillors

An opportunity for any councillor to ask a question of another councillor.

18 Items for next agenda

Councillors are asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda either at the meeting or by notifying the clerk at least 10 days prior to the next meeting in writing by (Thursday 29th March 2026) at the latest, with a summary of the reason for raising the matter, this is to include updates from working groups.

19 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Council to be held **at 6.30pm on 11th May 2026**, followed by the Annual May Meeting (Mayor Making) **at 7.30pm**.