

Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council

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19th March 2026

To the Members of Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the **ORDINARY MEETING** of the Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council to be held on **Thursday, 26th March 2026 at 7.30 pm at Betley Village Hall (Committee Room), Main Road, Betley, CW3 9BH** where the undermentioned business is to be transacted.

Yours faithfully

M Clough

Mrs M Clough
Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of personal and prejudicial interests from Members of the Parish Council on matters to be discussed at the Meeting.

3. STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

To receive an update from a representative of Staffordshire Police on policing matters relating to the Parish Council.

4. MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19th February 2026 to be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair of the Parish Council. (Minutes circulated).

5. PUBLIC FORUM

To receive any questions from Members of the Public relating to matters on this Agenda.

6. REPORTS

To receive reports from:-

- (i) The Chair
- (ii) The Vice Chair
- (iii) The Clerk
- (iv) County Councillor and Borough Councillors
- (v) Representatives on Outside Bodies

7. FOOTPATHS WORKING PARTY

- (i) To receive an update report from the Members of the Footpaths Working Party.
- (ii) Further to the last meeting of the Parish Council, the Members to consider the purchase of gates from the Parish Council's funds.

8. BUDGET AND FINANCE 2025-2026

To discuss and consider a report of the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. (Report circulated)

9. PLANNING MATTERS

To consider the following planning matters:-

- **New Planning Matters**

(i) **Application Ref No:** 26/00142/FUL

Location: Ravenshall Top Farm Main Road Betley

Proposal: Conversion of agricultural buildings to 2 residential dwellings with garage block, drainage and access road.

(ii) **Application Ref No:** 26/00118/FUL

Location: Pool Farm Veterinary Main Road Betley

Proposal: Proposed internal alterations forming consult room. Proposed erection of two portakabin units forming; office/ freezer store and staff room/WC

10. WOODLAND TRUST'S FREE COMMUNITY TREE PACKS

To note that applications are open for free tree packs from the Woodland Trust.

This is a straightforward and effective way for town and parish councils to get started with tree planting in their communities, whether for hedgerows, small woodlands, wildlife enhancements or urban settings.

The following packs are currently available:

- Hedge – to create natural boundaries or link habitats
- Copse – ideal for small woodland or outdoor learning spaces
- Wild Harvest – fruit and nut trees for community use
- Year-Round Colour – seasonal interest through flowers, berries and autumn colour
- Working Wood – suitable for small-scale fuel or craft use
- Wild Wood – hardy native species for exposed or wet sites
- Wildlife – trees and shrubs selected to support nature
- Urban Trees – designed for residential areas with limited space

Applications can be made here: <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/>. Councils will need a six-digit grid reference for the planting site, landowner permission, and to [review the FAQs](#) before applying.

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To consider any updates and proposals on this matter.

12. DECOMMISSIONED PAYPHONE, MAIN ROAD (A531), BETLEY VILLAGE, CHESHIRE

To consider any new proposals (including costings) for the adoption of the decommissioned payphone.

13. 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARKET CHARTER IN 2027

To consider ideas to celebrate this event.

14. AREA MATTERS

Parish Councillors to raise any matters relating to the individual areas of Balterley, Betley and Wrinehill.

15. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

The Parish Council to note that the next meetings will be held as follows:-

Thursday, 23rd April 2026, 7.30 pm Betley Village Hall (Committee Room)

Tuesday, 12th May 2026, 7.00 pm Annual Parish Meeting (Committee Room – note room change)

7.30 pm Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, at the rise of the Annual Parish Meeting (Committee Room)

16. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any other items which the Chair of Council Business (or other person presiding) is of the opinion shall be considered as a matter of urgency.