

AGENDA



To: Cllr J Roberts (Chair) Cllr J Beadle (Vice-Chair)
Cllr M Barnes Cllr G Fancourt
Cllr P Godwin Cllr R Godwin
Cllr O Kareem Cllr J Llewellyn
Cllr E Phennah Cllr K Poole
Cllr G Shelton Cllr S Terry
Cllr S Ward

CC: Laura Stewart, Clerk's Assistant

Date: 14th May 2026

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 20th May 2026**, commencing at approximately 7.10pm, in the Ray Shill Room, following a meeting of the Planning Committee.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of its functions; Equal Opportunity (age, race, gender, sexual orientation, faith, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder (Section 17), Health and Safety and Human Rights.

Consideration should be given to the impact of Council decisions on climate change and biodiversity, in line with its policies. Members should do what they can to reduce the Council's carbon footprint and environmental impact, where reasonably possible.

Members are also reminded that **photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is now permitted under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.**

The records of these meetings are available to view, by written request to the Clerk.

The meeting Agenda follows for your information.

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Clerk of the Council

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
20TH MAY 2026

1. **Election of Committee Chairman for the Municipal Year**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Election of Committee Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year**
4. **Declarations of Interest**

Pursuant to the adoption by the Council, on 12th April 2023, of the Northway Parish Council Code of Conduct, Minute Reference C/85/23 including paragraph 12(2), Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set out on the Agenda to which the approved Code of Practice applies.

Members are reminded that they should, at all times, observe the Code in carrying out their duties and that they signed such an undertaking in their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

In addition, Members are reminded to declare any new Interests or notify the Monitoring Officer of any changes to their existing Register of Interests.

5. **Previous Minutes** – Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 15th April 2026 (copy circulated to Members) for approval and signature.
6. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

***GP/55/26 Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes > Swap Box** – A letter of thanks has been sent to Richard Dunn.*

***GP/56/26 First Aid Sessions** – The offer of first aid sessions at the skatepark has been declined.*

***GP/56/26 Car Park Lighting** – A new LED light has been installed on the side of the Changing Rooms.*

***GP/59/26 Northway Community Hub Grounds** – The bark at the front of the Hub has been topped up and bags of garden waste disposed of.*

***GP/24/26 Northway Skatepark > Maintenance** – Sealant has been ordered for the skatepark.*

7. **Northway Playing Field**

- i. **Northway Play Park** –

- a. **Inspection Reports** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Play Park. To agree any necessary action.
- b. **Tiger Mulch** – Following inspection of the tiger mulch by councillors (Min Ref: GP/56/26 refers), to reconsider quotation for repairs and consider or agree acceptance.

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7. **Northway Playing Field** (continued)
 - ii. **Northway Skatepark**
 - a. **Inspection Reports** – To receive inspection reports relating to the skatepark, including from RoSPA, if available. To agree any necessary action.
 - b. **Skatepark Jam** – To receive update relating to the skatepark event and agree any action.
 - c. **Antisocial Behaviour** – To consider or agree installation of a sign at the Skatepark with details of how to report incidents of bullying / antisocial behaviour.
 - d. **Mural** – To receive update on proposed mural painting at the skatepark, due to take place during the week of 8th June 2026 (Min Ref: GP/56/26 refers). To also consider ways to protect the mural from future vandalism. To agree any action.
 - e. **Other Action** – To consider or agree any other action relating to the skatepark.
 - iii. **MUGA/Outdoor Gym** – To receive inspection reports relating to the MUGA and outdoor gym equipment, including from RoSPA, if available. To agree any necessary action.
 - iv. **BMX Humps** – To receive inspection reports relating to the BMX Humps, including from RoSPA, if available. To approve any necessary action or repairs.
 - v. **Cracks** – To review the cracks in tarmac at the field (specifically along path and by the gym equipment) and consider or agree any action (Min Ref: GP/56/26).
 - vi. **Other Action** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Northway Playing Field.
8. **Joan's Field** –
 - i. **Giant Hogweed** – To arrange inspection for Giant Hogweed, due at the end of May and agree any other necessary action.
 - ii. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any actions relating to Joan's Field.
9. **Platinum Park**
 - i. **Teenage Shelter** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Teenage Shelter and agree necessary action(s).
 - ii. **Tree Watering** – To consider the need for tree watering at Platinum Park and agree action.
 - iii. **Other Issues** – To consider and agree any other actions relating to Platinum Park.
10. **Hub Grounds** – To consider whether anything needs to be done about a dead Silver Birch tree at the front of the Hub. To agree any action.

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11. **Newsletter** – To consider items for the next newsletter. To also how councillors can better assist in the production of the newsletter. To agree any action.
12. **Hawthorn Way**
 - i. **Ball Games** – To receive further communications relating to the playing of ball games on this green area (Min Ref: GP/61/26 refers) and consider any action.
 - ii. **Brick Wall** – To receive updates, if available, relating to the ownership/repair of this wall, and consider action.
13. **Parish Maintenance Contract** –
 - i. **Trees** – To receive quotation for cutting back of trees in Ash Road and Sycamore Road which have become entangled in overhead wires. To agree action.
 - ii. **Grange Road** – To consider update, if available, regarding maintenance in Grange Road and around the nearby memorial (Min Ref: GP/60/26 refers). To agree action.
 - iii. **Other Issues** – To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.
14. **Drainage and Flooding**
 - i. **Reports** – To receive any reports from Members on flooding and agree any action.
 - ii. **Flood Warden** – To receive report from Flood Warden. To also receive any correspondence from GRCC relating to this role and agree any action.
15. **'Report It'** - To receive list of issues reported to authorities (including TBC, GCC or Glos Constabulary) over the past month. To consider any action that may be required.
16. **Correspondence for Information**
 - i. **Parish Online** – Confirmation that the Council's subscription to Parish Online mapping software has been renewed.
 - ii. **SafeAvon** – Correspondence.
 - iii. **Sunshine Gym** – Booklet
17. **Correspondence received after 14th May 2026**