

Poulton and Pulford Parish Council

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To Members of Poulton and Pulford Parish Council

You are required to attend the next meeting of Poulton and Pulford Parish Council to be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 25th February 2025 at Pulford Village Hall.

Agenda:

1. Apologies:

- 1.1. To receive apologies

2. Declaration of Interest:

- 2.1. Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- 2.2. To declare any personal interest in items on the agenda and their nature
- 2.3. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature (Councillors with such interests must leave the room for the relevant items)

3. Suspension of Standing Orders:

- 3.1. From 7pm electors are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman, before the start of the Parish Council meeting at 7:30pm. Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself

4. Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held On 26th November 2025 (attached)

5. Progress Reports on Issues carried forward:

- 5.1. Hedges, pavements and roads, including
 - 5.1.1. The Corner of Dodleston Lane and B5445
 - 5.1.2. Old Lane / Spinney leaves on path
 - 5.1.3. Ongoing regular Teams meeting between Stuart Bateman and Parish Clerk re state of local pathways and vegetation ingress.
- 5.2. Grosvenor Pulford car parking
- 5.3. Pulford Court issues
- 5.4. Update on activity at Woodfield Farm Straight Mile
- 5.5. Gov.uk email addresses and Website changes (incl. contact details)

6. **Planning** - ref www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/planning for full details. Ongoing planning applications 2025/6. Check on the CWAC planning portals for recent approvals.

Ongoing planning applications 2025/26 (correct on 4/2/26)

REFERENCE	Date received	Address & Description	Outcome
24/02915/FUL	27/9/24	Moorfield Farm, Dodleston Lane, Pulford Conversion of stable block & outbuildings to 2 dwellings. Demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of single storey garage	Application withdrawn
25/00128/FUL	17/1/25	Oldfields Farm, Cuckoo's Nest Demolition of slurry towers and erection of a replacement agricultural milking parlour and dairy building	Approved 5/12/25
24/03015/FUL	8/10/24 (validated 8/5/25)	Grosvenor Pulford Hotel Construction of overflow carpark to provide an additional 63 parking spaces	Awaiting decision ¹
25/02745/FUL	22/8/25	10, Old Lane, Pulford Obscured glazed windows to the side elevations and alterations of the roof design at the rear to the ground floor rear and side extensions (Modifications to the proposals forming part of lawful development certificate 24/03543/LDC)	Approved 13/11/25
25/03445/CAT	31/10/25	Willow Cabin, The Green, Poulton Tree work including crown clean, crown lift, crown balance, felling and replanting	Agreed 15/12/25
25/03526/CAT	11/11/25	Helyg, Park Lane, Cuckoo's Nest Fell conifer in garden and replace with suitable alternative	Agreed 19/12/25
25/03552/FUL	7/11/25	Grosvenor Pulford Hotel Single storey extension to swimming pool area	Awaiting decision
25/03829/LDC	8/12/25	Brookside Farm House, Old Lane, Pulford Use of former agricultural land as garden extending the domestic curtilage associated to the farmhouse	Awaiting decision
26/00286/TPO	3/2/26	Open space in front of 4-11 Castle Close, Pulford Reduction in height of Apple and Birch trees to clear overhead telephone wires	Awaiting decision

1. Environment Agency to confirm adequacy of proposed Flood Risk Assessment and whether the proposed mitigation in the form of a Flood Response Plan is acceptable. Still awaiting submission and approval of a Surface Water Drainage scheme.

7. Finance, Governance and Accountability:

- 7.1. Detailed information is available on the new updated Parish Council Website (www.poultonandpulford-pc.gov.uk) and also circulated as a report prior to the meeting. An additional copy will be available for inspection at the meeting.
- 7.2. HMRC VAT Claim (February 2025 to end of January 2026).
- 7.3. Update on the budget progression over the year 2025/6
- 7.4. Precept for year 2026/7 - the appropriate forms for Precept Claim were sent to CWAC in good time - copies have been circulated
- 7.5. Update to local Financial Regulations
- 7.6. CIL money – deadline and options

8. Correspondence for information

- 8.1. Letter from Debbie Davey – state of footpaths in Cuckoo’s Nest area – the email history on this has been circulated
- 8.2. Pulford 10k – March 23rd 2026.
- 8.3. Road closures for upcoming marathons (Pulford 10k, Deva Triathlon, Chester Marathon).
- 8.4. Correspondence re Old Lane street lighting and pathway
- 8.5. Further letter re Pulford Court issues.
- 8.6. Email from resident suggesting that Parish Council meetings are held 6 times per year – that is every two months rather than the current level of four.

9. Clerk’s Reports and Queries:

- 9.1. Police Report, Survey and regular Surgery plans
- 9.2. Outcome from Scribe ‘End of Year’ Healthcheck
- 9.3. Report from 2025 Christmas Tree Lighting event

10. Councillors’ Reports and Risk Assessment:

- 10.1. Risk assessment problem reports (see table below):

Location	Responsibility	Confirm date checked	Any problems
Village Hall	Cllr D Ewins		
Church Bank	Cllr D Ewins		
Community Park	J Ewins		
Village Hall Defibrillator	Cllr D Ewins		
Pulford Notice Board	Cllr Franklin		
Cuckoo’s Nest Notice Board	Kate Fairhurst		
Bus Shelters	Cllr Board		
Poulton Defibrillator	Cllr Fay		

11. Future agenda items requested

12. Dates of next meetings:

- 27th May 2026 - Annual General Meeting