

Parish Councillors, you are hereby summoned to a meeting of
Dinedor Parish Council
will be held on Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 6.00pm
At Dinedor Village Hall

AGENDA

1. To receive Apologies, Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations
2. Minutes
To approve the minutes of the [meeting held on 17th March 2026](#)
3. Public participation:
 - 3.1 [Ward Councillors Report](#)
 - 3.2 Matters raised by members of the public in attendance
 - 3.3 Police Matters
To consider any amendment to policing priorities
4. Planning Matters
 - 4.1 To consider planning applications now due for observations:
 - 4.1.1 Ref: [260758](#)
Site: The Vern, Dinedor
Dev: Variation of condition 2 of planning permission [251126](#)
(proposed remodelling of existing dwelling) – revised scheme for car port and link with hobby room above and fenestration changes to dwelling
 - 4.2 To note planning applications notified for permitted development, if any
 - 4.3 To note [planning decisions by Herefordshire Council](#) since the last meeting
 - 4.4 To consider draft policy covering meetings with developers
 - 4.5 Planning correspondence
 - 4.5.1 To consider approach from Ilos Energy for meeting to discuss [development within the parish](#)
 - 4.5.2 To consider establishment of a working party to advise the parish council with regard to 4.5.1 above and if agreed to agree membership of the group
5. Highway Matters
 - 5.1 Lengthsman Scheme
 - 5.1.1 To note receipt of grant for 2025-6 financial year
 - 5.1.2 To note invitation to submit application for 2026-7 and agree proposals
 - 5.1.3 To consider retendering of lengthsman contract for forthcoming year.
 - 5.2 Drainage scheme
 - 5.2.1 To note receipt of grant for 2025-6 works under drainage grant scheme
 - 5.2.2 To note invitation to submit application for 2026-7 grant and agree projects for inclusion in submission with estimated costs

- 5.3 Public Rights of Way
 - 5.3.1 Footpath Officer Report
 - 5.3.2 To note receipt of grant for 2025-6 funded works
 - 5.3.3 To note invitation to submit application for 2026-7 grant and agree projects for inclusion in application with estimated costs
- 5.4 Update on Traffic calming measures within the village and to consider way forward
- 6 Dinedor Camp
 - 6.1 To note report from Dinedor Camp Steering Group
 - 6.2 To review membership of Camp Steering Group
 - 6.3 To authorise Clerk to arrange for replacement signage for the Camp at a maximum cost of £250.00
7. Village Hall Matters
8. Information item: Clerks Report
9. Financial Matters:
 - 9.1 To authorise payments now due:

•	HMRC	
	Tax & NI due for March salaries (due 16.4.2026)	£205.41
•	PrintPlus	
	Newsletter printing March	£55.00
•	Dinedor Village Hall	
	Room hire	£120.00
•	Information Commissioner Office	
	Annual data protection registration fee	£52.00
•	Liz Kelso	
	Expenses: Anti virus software, data storage,	
	Ink	£57.06
	VAT	£11.41
	Total	£68.47
•	Unity Bank	
	Bank charges due 30.4.2026	£7.00
 - 9.2 To note receipts since last meeting:

•	Herefordshire Council	
	Drainage grant for 2025-6	£2,237.00
	PROW grant for 2025-6	£470.00
	Lengthsman grant for 2025-6	£927.00
	Precept 2026-7 – 1 st instalment	£7,500.00
	Total	£11,134.00
•	Unity Bank	
	Interest received 31.3.2026	£15.99
 - 9.3 To note bank reconciliation as at 31.3.2026
 - 9.4 To note draft receipts and payments account for year ended 31.3.2026
 - 9.5 To grant request from St. Andrews Church for £560.00 for churchyard maintenance for 2026-7
10. To consider date and format for Annual Parish Meeting

11. To consider requests for councillor training, if any
12. Information item: Reports from Councillors
13. Date of next meeting and items for the agenda

Liz Kelso

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Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the parish council and may, at the discretion of the Chair, speak on some agenda items. In the interests of the health and well being of councillors, staff and members of the public in attendance, please do not attend the meeting if you are unwell.

For further information about the work of the parish council or meeting procedures, please contact the Parish Clerk at the address above.

Dinedor Parish Council

MEETINGS WITH DEVELOPERS

Background

Parish Councils have a right to be consulted by a planning authority (Herefordshire Council) on all applications within the Parish or any applications relating to property adjacent to the Parish boundary. In addition, a Parish Council can request that it be consulted on applications which may impact on the Parish and its inhabitants.

The National Planning Policy Framework encourages developers to consult with town and parish councils prior to making a formal application for planning consent in order to ensure that the proposed development benefits the parish and its residents. Dinedor Parish Council ("the Parish Council") acknowledges the importance of such meetings but recognises that they should take place in an open and transparent manner to ensure that subsequent planning applications are responded to in an impartial manner with comments based upon appropriate and relevant reasons determined during parish council meetings.

Scope

This policy applies to:

- all councillors and staff of Dinedor Parish Council and includes any committees or working parties of the parish council, and
- all developers, landowners and their agents or representatives seeking to engage with the parish council about development proposals.

Declarations of Interest

All Parish Councillors must adhere to the Code of Conduct with regard to the declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interest in any planning application.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, where an application or potential application impacts on a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest of any Councillor, that Councillor must not take part in any discussion on the application within or outside of a meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. This does not preclude any councillor acting in the capacity of an interested individual in connection with a development or proposed development.

Procedure

(a) Initial engagement with developers

Developers wishing to present proposals to the Parish Council must provide written details of the proposed development affecting the Parish

If the developer considers the information sensitive, they should specify this in writing. However, any information provided to the Parish Council may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

(b) Meetings with developers

- All meetings with developers (whether informal or formal) should be co-ordinated through the Proper Officer. No individual councillor may engage with developers privately or informally on behalf of the Council
- Any meeting with Developers which is held informally with the Parish Council or with agreed representatives of the Parish Council will include the taking of Minutes and be reported to the next full meeting of the Parish Council
- Developers can attend any meeting of the Parish Council but can only address the meeting if invited to do so in the public participation section of the meeting unless prior notice has been given by the developer so that a separate agenda item can be included in the notice of meeting.
- Where a developer is invited to attend and address a meeting of the Parish Council written details of the proposed development should be provided to the Parish Council no later than one week prior to the date of the meeting.
- Any discussions with the Parish Council, whether informal or formal, will not bind the Parish Council to any particular decision or comment if or when a planning application in relation to the proposed development is considered by the Parish Council and will not pre-determine the Parish Council or any Councillor.
- Once a planning application is open for public comment on Herefordshire Council's planning portal any discussion with Developers will only occur during public Parish Council meetings or specially arranged public meetings
- Developers are encouraged to hold public consultations prior to submitting major development applications to Herefordshire Council; such consultations to be at the expense of the developer.

Approved by Dinedor Parish Council
At a meeting held on



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17th March 2026

**Proposed solar development on land on the east & west sides of the road from
Hereford to Holme Lacy HR2 6LG**

Dear Dinedor Parish Councillors

First of all, please forgive us for appearing out of the blue; we are ILOS New Energy UK Ltd., a developer of renewable energy projects, and we are considering a suitable site for a solar project in your area.

As developers, we recognise the importance of transparency and keeping the local community informed and involved. We are keen to share our very early vision for the project and its potential benefits, and would like to involve the councillors and the community to build a collaborative relationship right from the start.

The site being considered for this solar proposal is the area outlined in red on the map below in your parish. At this early stage, we are writing to let you know that we will be requesting an Environmental Impact Screening Assessment opinion from your Local Planning Authority regarding this land. We will keep you informed as the proposal takes shape and, in due course, will be arranging a public drop-in session to evaluate the community's comments and suggestions.

As you may know, under the legal framework of the Climate Change Act 2008, the UK Government has committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 100% of the levels recorded in 1990 by 2050, our Net Zero target. By bringing low-carbon clean energy supplies like hydro energy, wind and solar onto the national grid, we can decrease our reliance on fossil fuels, minimise the production of greenhouse gases and better protect the environment.



Renewable energy supplies are cleaner, swifter to deploy and less costly to the nation than combustion or nuclear-based power. They significantly enhance the UK's energy security while providing opportunities to diversify rural incomes so the farming community can continue farming. As a low-cost technology with minimal construction and operational impacts, solar power is a key component of the UK's future power policy.

We believe that solar power, with a 70 GW quota by 2035, combined with other technologies, supports the government's initiatives to meet its 180 gigawatts (GW) renewable energy targets by 2030 in terms of energy security, subsidy-free, clean, and low environmental impact. All our proposals are designed with this in mind.

We take care to select sites that meet demanding criteria.

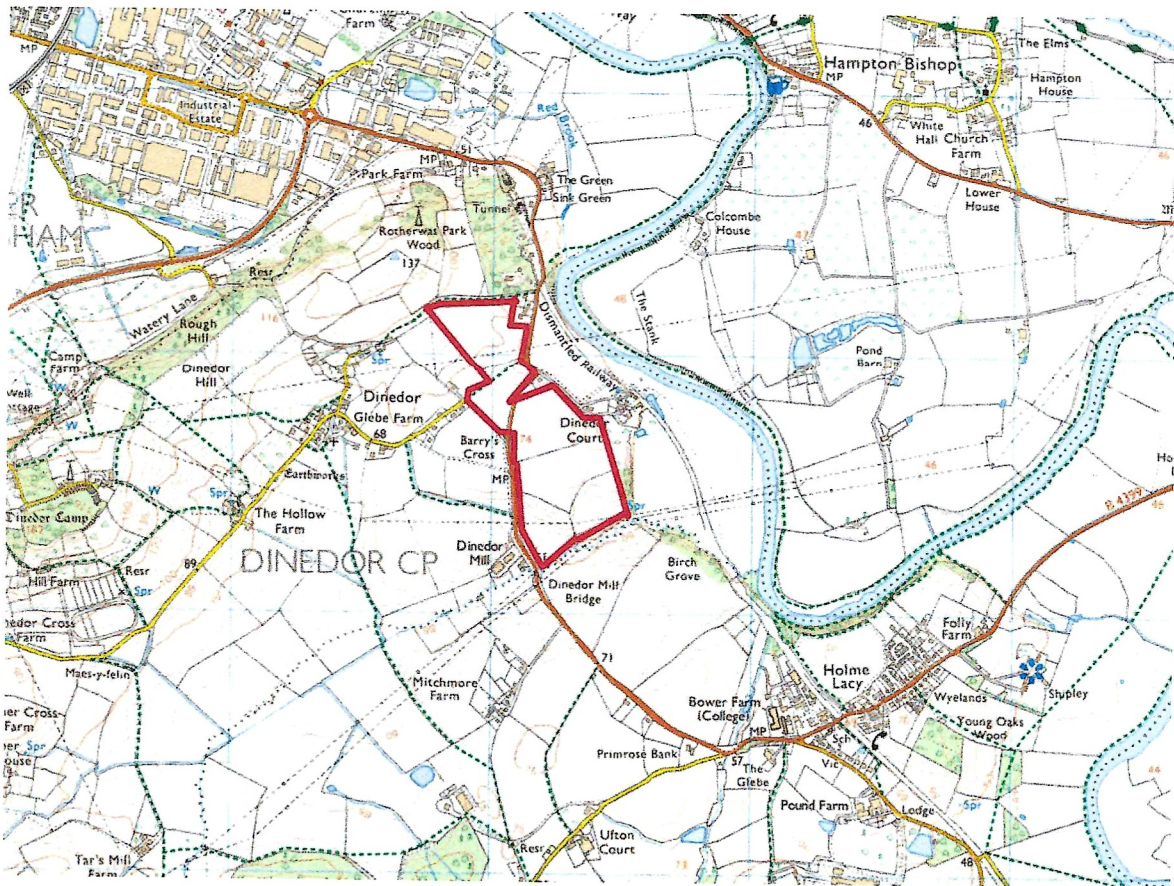
- The site must be accessible to an existing connection to the local grid, which will distribute the green energy produced into the National Grid. Thus, the grid connection will not noticeably change the landscape.
- A solar farm is a considerable ecological improvement over current industrial farming, increasing insect, flora and fauna, removing the use of fertilisers and pesticides and protecting the quality of soil and water courses for aquatic life.
- The land remains in agricultural status and does not alter to brown field. Meadow grasses will be sown within the site to encourage biodiversity, and grazing can co-exist alongside the solar element, with sheep, beekeeping, and pheasant rearing as examples of current practices.
- The panels' reflection is negligible because they absorb sunlight. They are already common on many roadsides and at airports. They appear as a blue-grey image within the landscape.
- All of our sites are assessed from a landscape and visual perspective, taking advice from our consultees, typically under a full EIA level application.
- Unlike most other means of power generation, noise concerns are considered negligible. The solar panels are fixed and have no moving parts. Transformers are distributed within the park, and the incumbent distribution network operator will be managing the substation.
- All our solar farms will be operational for 40 years under lease. At the end of this term, the equipment and plant rooms will be removed entirely. A bond is put in place at the site's inception to provide for this. The soil quality will be significantly improved by its 40-year ecological programme.

The Proposed Development

This proposed development consists of rows of photovoltaic solar panels arranged within the red lines shown below. The panels have a south-facing orientation and typically reach a height of up to 3m, starting 0.6m above the ground. The panels will be supported on metal stanchions, piled or screwed into the ground, with grass, wildflowers, and/or grazing in between. Around the site, a deer fence will be erected to a height of up to 2m, and ecologist-approved indigenous plants will be planted where recommended.

The Proposed Site

The proposed site is approx. 33 hectares (c. 30MWac) and relates to the land outlined in red below. A solar site this size would save c. 10,900 tonnes of CO₂ from our atmosphere and generate enough electricity to meet the needs of around 6000 average homes.





The planning application that will be applied for is temporary. The site must be returned to agricultural use at the end of the 40-year term, and it does not alter the land's agricultural status at any time.

The construction period and consequent traffic will last approximately 10-12 months, with most deliveries in the 2nd month. If necessary, a Traffic Management Plan will be created in conjunction with the local Highways Officer and the community. Following the development's construction, the traffic will be maintenance operatives, who will visit the site a few times a month.

Should you require any additional information regarding the above proposal, please do not hesitate to contact us so we may make the necessary arrangements to meet. This will allow our company to consider and, where possible, incorporate any comments into our design process. Additionally, you may like to advise us of any local stakeholders or groups that might be interested, and we can provide them with details directly

We look forward to receiving any suggestions that councillors and parishioners may have. Alternatively, you will all have the opportunity to consider and comment on the proposed scheme at the drop-in meeting or, more formally, during the subsequent processing of the planning application by the Local Planning Authority.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Covill". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Kate Covill

Managing Director
ILOS New Energy UK Ltd.

Please send any enquiries to Bridget Lawson: lawson@ilos-energy.com

Dinedor Parish Council

Meeting to be held on 21st April 2026

Agenda item 5.1 – Lengthsman Scheme

Background

The lengthsman scheme provides limited funding for parish councils to engage a suitably qualified contractor to undertake routine maintenance on the roads and verges within the parish in accordance with parish priorities. Routine maintenance usually includes clearing verges, cutting back vegetation, cleaning road signs, litter picking and similar tasks.

Funding

Limited funding is available from Herefordshire Council towards this work and the funding is based upon the length of C and U classified roads within the parish. For Dinedor for the 2026-7 financial year Herefordshire Council has indicated that the calculation is based upon 5.1km of roads which excludes Dinedor Camp access road (added to the list of streets after the annual funding had been agreed by Herefordshire Council) but the access road will be included in the 2027-8 financial year funding calculation. This means a total of £309.00pa is available this financial year plus £154.50 match funding, i.e. requiring a minimum contribution from the parish council of £154.50 for works during the financial year for total funding of **£463.50** (2025/6 £927.00).

Funding can be claimed quarterly in arrears by submitting evidence of all schedules of work completed against the annual maintenance plan and nominated tasks, a copy of the contractors invoice(s) to support the payment applied for and an invoice from the parish council for the funding and/or match funding claimed based on the work identified. Before and after photographs are also required.

Costs

For financial year 2025/6 one routine maintenance day undertaken by our lengthsman Terry Griffiths was charged to the parish council at £489.30 (+VAT). At the time of writing, the cost for 2026/7 has not been indicated. For 2025/6, routine maintenance visits took place three times during the year.

The parish council budget/contribution for all repairs and maintenance (i.e. including Public Rights of Way, Drainage and Lengthsman Scheme) has been agreed at £1,500.00 for the current financial year (2026/7)

Deadlines

Applications to take part in the scheme, together with a proposed annual maintenance plan and signed agreement, must be submitted to Herefordshire Council no later than **17th May 2026**

Required

- To consider whether to apply for funding under the lengthsman scheme for 2026/7
- If agreed to apply, to agree annual maintenance plan for the year
- To consider total number of annual maintenance work visits for lengthsman for the year

Dinedor Parish Council

Meeting to be held on 21st April 2026

Agenda item 5.2 – Drainage Grant Scheme

Background

Linked to the lengthsman scheme funding, the drainage scheme provides limited funding for parish councils to engage a suitably qualified contractor to undertake drainage works within the parish in accordance with parish priorities. Drainage projects must be agreed with Herefordshire Council in advance of works undertaken and must be carried out by a suitably qualified contractor..

Funding

Limited funding is available from Herefordshire Council towards this work with a total/maximum cap on funding for parish councils of £25,000 to include funding awarded under the lengthsman scheme, drainage scheme and public rights of way scheme combined. Current proposals indicate total funding available under the lengthsman scheme of **£463.50** so there remains some **£24,536.50** potentially available for both the drainage scheme and public rights of way scheme.

Projects

The attached email from Cllr. Louch identifies four potential projects for funding via this scheme. Indicative quotations have been requested from the lengthsman but at the time of writing are not available. The application for funding will need to include details of the projects and projected costs for funding.

Deadlines

Applications to take part in the scheme, together with proposed costs, photographs and signed agreement, must be submitted to Herefordshire Council no later than **17th May 2026**. No work can be carried out until authorised by Herefordshire Council. A commitment to agree projects by end June 2026 has been made by Herefordshire Council.

Required

- To consider whether to apply for funding under the drainage scheme for 2026/7
- If agreed to apply, to agree the proposed projects for the year

Dinedor Parish Council

Meeting to be held on 21st April 2026

Agenda item 5.3 – Public Rights of Way Grant Scheme

Background

Linked to the lengthsman scheme and drainage scheme funding, the public rights of way scheme provides limited funding for parish councils to purchase materials and contractors to undertake works within the parish on public rights of way in accordance with parish priorities.

Funding

Limited funding is available from Herefordshire Council towards this work with a total/maximum cap on funding for parish councils of £25,000 to include funding awarded under the lengthsman scheme, drainage scheme and public rights of way scheme combined. Current proposals indicate total funding available under the lengthsman scheme of **£463.50** so there remains some **£24,536.50** potentially available for both the drainage scheme and public rights of way scheme combined. Initial applications under the PROW scheme are capped at £5,000 per parish although a second application can be made later in the year.

Projects

At the time of writing, details of proposed works are unavailable. The application for funding will need to include details of the projects and projected costs for funding.

Deadlines

Applications to take part in the scheme, together with proposed costs, photographs and signed agreement, must be submitted to Herefordshire Council no later than **30th September 2026**. No work can be carried out until authorised by Herefordshire Council.

Required

- To consider whether to apply for funding under the drainage scheme for 2026/7
- If agreed to apply, to agree the proposed projects for the year.

Members are reminded that any and all purchases/orders under any funded scheme are still subject to parish council financial regulations at the time when any order or contract for works is placed.

From: malcolm.louch@dinedorparishcouncil.gov.uk
Sent: 01 April 2026 21:07
To: terrygriffiths@outlook.com
Cc: Cllr. Suzanne Penny; clerk@dinedorparishcouncil.gov.uk
Subject: Dinedor Parish Drainage Grant 2026-27 Application - Quotations requested
Attachments: DINEDOR PARISH DRAINAGE GRANT 2026-27 - Quotations required please pdf.pdf

Dear Terry,

Dinedor Parish Council has determined the work we wish to apply for Drainage Grants in the coming 2026-27 Financial Year.

We hope you are happy to undertake this work for us if the Grant Applications are approved and would like to ask you to quote individually for the four projects as on the attached document.

As you know the deadline this year for applications is early May and at Dinedor we wish to finalise our application at the Council meeting on Tuesday 21 April so please could I ask you to get back to me by Friday April 11th please so that the documentation for consideration at the Council meeting can be prepared. Thank you

The projects are detailed on the attached document with pictures and are:

- 1. U72010 Replace channel at 52.028099, -2.681377 with Grid and ensure this links to Culvert adjacent**
- 2. U72009 Lower Grid feeding into culvert at 52.026961, -2.681379 as it is above ground level and so will only take away water from the adjacent road when that water is in full flood.**
- 3. U72009 Culvert from 52.025814, -2.682800 to 52.025812, -2.682745 is too small and partially blocked by water pipe using the culvert as a conduit.
Create a fresh 25 cm culvert adjacent and parallel to the existing culvert.**
- 4. U72009 A section of the Culvert alongside the highway in the North side verge
at 52.026806, 2.681562 has been broken and removed so no water flow now occurs in the culvert at this point.
Excavate and remake the culvert at this point so that water flow resumes.**

Locations are specified as Longitude N, Latitude W

Kind regards,
Malcolm J Louch
Dinedor Parish Council

Dinedor Parish Council

Dinedor Camp Management Steering Group Notes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th April 2026 At Dinedor Village Hall

In attendance: Paul Davies
Nick Austin
Cllr. Malcolm Louch

Liz Kelso – Parish Clerk

1. Apologies

Apologies were noted from Chris Waters, Joe Davey and Andy Preedy.

It was agreed that a request be made to the parish council for additional members of this steering group following the resignation of Brian Granthier.

2. Community Volunteer Activity

The first community volunteer activity day for the current season will be on Sunday 19th April which will include a walk of the site so that a plan can be drawn up for work for the season.

It was agreed that new volunteers are needed to properly maintain the area and it was suggested that signage be put up near the site to encourage visitors to come forward as volunteers. Advice from HVOSS on attracting volunteers might be useful.

3. Proposals and priorities for the forthcoming year/season

This item was deferred until the review of the area has been carried out at the weekend. It was agreed that a note of the usage of the equipment will be kept this year so that a maintenance/replacement schedule can be considered.

4. Any other business

It was noted that there has been some evidence of camping on the site recently. The “no camping” sign is in a poor condition as are other signs and it was agreed that the parish council be asked to fund more professional signs around the camp generally as those in existence are in a poor state after the winter months.

There has also been signs of digging on the Camp to create mountain bike ramps. Any disturbance of the soil/ground is not permitted on the scheduled monument site and

visitors need to be reminded that this carries criminal penalties if caught. Again, replacement signage may help.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting was provisionally agreed for 5.30pm on 13th October, venue to be confirmed. Should any additional meetings be felt to be appropriate, these can be arranged during the summer.

Dinedor Parish Council

Bank Reconciliation

Year to 31.3.2026

Opening Balance	£ 8,773.69
Add receipts	£ 19,549.13
Less expenditure	£ 22,719.03
Balance	£ 5,603.79

Meeting:

Per bank statement: 31.3.2026

20446000	£ 2,487.33
205512154	£ 3,116.46

Add: Receipts since statement
Less: Payments since statement

£ 5,603.79

	Year to 31.3.2025	Year to 31.3.2026
RECEIPTS		
Precept	£ 9,500	£11,000.00
Grants	£ -	£ 3,437.00
Insurance Premium Reimbursement	£ 1,070	£ 781.12
Other Income	£ 2,048	£ 2,068.20
VAT Reclaim	£ 621	£ 2,262.81
Total Income	£ 13,239	£19,549.13
PAYMENTS		
Staff Costs	£ 5,667	£ 5,869.44
General Office Costs	£ 462	£ 1,175.96
Room Hire/meeting costs	£ 264	£ 283.00
Insurance	£ 1,805	£ 1,832.58
Repairs & Maintenance	£ 1,864	£ 7,286.05
Dinedor Camp		
Maintenance	£ 8,105	£ 1,872.09
Equipment	£ -	£ -
Legal Expenses	£ -	£ -
Purchases	£ -	£ 540.83
Subscriptions	£ 483	£ 470.02
Audit Fees	£ 283	£ 332.90
Election Costs	£ -	£ -
Advertising/Publicity	£ -	£ -
Training	£ 50	£ -
Website Costs	£ 225	£ 225.00
Newsletter	£ 330	£ 330.00
Neighbourhood Plan costs	£ -	£ -
Grants and Donations	£ 560	£ 560.00
Miscellaneous	£ -	£ -
VAT	£ 2,263	£ 1,941.16
Total Expenditure	£ 22,362	£22,719.03
Surplus/Deficit for the Year	-£ 9,123	-£ 3,169.90
RESERVES		
Opening Balance	£ 17,897.08	£ 8,773.69
Add: Net expenditure	-£ 9,123.39	-£ 3,169.90
Closing Balance	£ 8,773.69	£ 5,603.79



WISE OWL TRAINING ... APRIL - JUNE 2026



"IN HOUSE SESSIONS"

Book your preferred date & time for a bespoke two-hour training session, exclusively for your councillors at your local venue for only £275.

WORKING LUNCH FOR CLERKS ... Tuesday 14th April: 12.00-14.00 at HALC Office-FREE
Member Clerks are invited to a Working Lunch at the HALC office between 12.00 and 14.00 on Tuesday 14th April.

Have you appointed an Internal Auditor? Would your PC pass with flying colours if you were asked to prove why you ticked 'yes' in the audit box relating to risk on the Annual Governance Statement? What documents are you lawfully obliged to display on your website? How do you organise the public's right to inspect the accounts? With the financial year end approaching and new audit regulations in place for 2025/26, why not take advantage of top tips from HALC's Finance Officer – Tony, for a stress-free audit. Whilst there is no fee for this session, clerks will need to book in by email.

'IN THE HOT SEAT' ... Wednesday 29th April: 19.00-21.00 at HALC office - £60 per person.

If you might be taking on the role of Chair in May, or simply wish to update your current skills, why not come along for some hot tips to ensure that your PC meetings run like well-oiled decision-making machines and finish within two hours! As Chair, you need to understand legislation governing parish/town council meetings, including the quorum, methods of voting, amendments to motions, declarations of interest. You are in total control of your PC meetings so you need to be confident that you can cope with any scenario!

'FINDING FUNDING' ... Thursday 30th April ... A session with Dave Tristram ... FREE

A 45-minute one to one session with Dave at the HALC office could be all you need to solve the funding issue for your PC's latest project. Book your session through HALC lynda@halchereford.gov.uk and give us an inkling of what you're proposing, to enable Herefordshire's own Funding Guru to set you off on the right track!

'WHAT'S MY ROLE? ... Saturday 2nd May

09.30-15.00 in HALC office - £275 per person inc. lunch.

Discover the specific roles, responsibilities and statutory duties of councillors, clerks and RFOs (Responsible Financial Officers). What is the difference between Section 137 and the General Power of Competence? How does the Code of Conduct affect you as a councillor or Chairman?

CHAIR'S CHAT ... Tuesday 5th May ... 19.00-20.00 via ZOOM ... FREE

An opportunity for Parish/Town Chairs to exchange information on current issues with their counterparts across the county, as well as receiving topical updates, chairing tips and answers to queries raised on the night.

‘CAT FLAP’ ... Monday 18th May: 19.00-21.00 at HALC office ... £60 per delegate.

All you need to know about Community Asset Transfer (CAT) for PCs thinking of taking on new assets now or in the future, as well as the Community Right to Bid which follows the listing of an Asset of Community Value. Furthermore, what do you know about the Community Right to Challenge? Parish Councils need to be aware of how to safeguard local property and services for their community.

‘PLANNING OVERVIEW’: Thursday 21st May: 19.00-21.00 at HALC office - £60 per person.

This evening course will give delegates an overview of all current and emerging aspects of local and national planning together with an insight of the implications of the Code of Conduct when councillors are commenting on planning applications.

‘LEADING LIGHTS’... Thursday 11th June: 19.00-21.00 at HALC office ... £60 per person.

Are you an effective councillor? Do you understand your duties & responsibilities? What are the implications for your parish council of non-compliance with audit regulations, PAYE, Pensions, GDPR, website accessibility? Does the Code of Conduct worry you? What is your role in the planning system? If you are a new councillor or simply want to update your knowledge, this is the course for you.

‘LAWFUL PURSUITS’: Saturday 13th June 09.30-15.00 - HALC office - £275 inc. lunch.

Non-compliance with lawful requirements could cost your parish council dearly. This course gives a detailed overview of lawful procedures including Core Documents ... Standing Orders ... Code of Conduct ... Grants Policies ... Employment & Equality Law ... Health & Safety Legislation ... Delegated Powers ... Committees and Working/Steering Groups.

BEST BEHAVIOUR’ ... Tuesday 16th June: 19.00-21.00 HALC office - £60 per person

What are the responsibilities of councillors under the Code of Conduct and what are the different types of interest they need to understand? Who do councillors go to for advice and what happens if a complaint is made about you to the Monitoring Officer? As a clerk, are your agendas and minutes fit for purpose in relation to the Code? Is your website in compliance and what about your declaration of interest book?

‘DANCING WITH DATA’: Thursday 18th June 19.00-21.00 – HALC office - £60 per person.

Everything councillors and clerks need to know about GDPR to enable compliance with all current legislation.

‘TWO CAN TANGO’ ... Thursday 25th June: 19.00-21.00 HALC office ... £60 per delegate.

Don’t fall foul of VAT legislation – come along and learn how to work cost-effectively with your village hall on small or large projects. If you take part in Village Hall Committee meetings, you are likely to be a Trustee in law and should understand the implications of that role, particularly in relation to Code of Conduct matters at parish council meetings. What is the difference between a ‘Custodian Trustee’ and a ‘Managing Trustee’? Can parish councils loan money to a village hall? If you are a parish councillor and a village hall trustee, this is definitely the course for you.



*All HALC Training courses are available to member councillors & clerks
Check with your Clerk and Email lynda@halchereford.gov.uk
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