EAST PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

From: Simon Cross Clerk to the Council

10th November 2026

Dear Councillor and Parishioners

RE: FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AND COUNCILLORS ARE SUMMONED to a Meeting of the above Committee to be held on **Monday, 16th November 2026** at Council Office 2, 118 Sea Road, East Preston commencing at **18:00.**

The Public has the right to attend; however, numbers are currently limited and attendance should be booked in advance. Please call the Council Office before midday on the day of the meeting to book a space.

Yours sincerely

Simon Cross

Clerk to the Council

To: All Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

AGENDA

1. Introductions.

2. Apologies and Reasons for Absence.

3. Members and Officers are reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial/pecuniary Interests they may have in relation to items on this Agenda.

   This interest should be declared by stating:
   a) The item you have the interest in

b) Whether it is a personal interest and the nature of the interest
c) Whether it is also a prejudicial/pecuniary interest
d) If it is a prejudicial/pecuniary interest, whether you will be exercising your right to speak under Public Question Time

Members and Officers will then need to re-declare any prejudicial/pecuniary interest at the commencement of the item or when the interest becomes apparent.

4. A **Public Question Time** of up to fifteen minutes.

   Note: This Question Time is the only opportunity at which "Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda." (Standing Order 3e)

   Each "member of the public shall not speak for more than three minutes." (Standing Order 3g)

   Members of the public are respectfully asked to identify themselves clearly when they begin to speak and not to talk during the rest of the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chairman of the Council.

   Please be aware, constructive debate and thoughtful challenge should be expected as the council examines and understands the points raised in the meeting as part of the decision-making process.

   Members of the public are respectfully asked not to talk during the rest of the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chairman of the Council.

5. Grant Aid 2026/27 (Section 137): to continue consideration of an application received from East Preston Sports and Social Club.

6. Leases Working Party: to continue consideration of the renewal of the lease to East Preston & Kingston Bowls Club.

7. To review the forecast of the council's annual outturn.

8. To start consideration of the 2027-28 budgets for the Finance & General Purposes and Admin budgets.

9. To note correspondence related to the rental insurance cover for 124 Sea Road.

10. Warren Recreation Ground:
    a) to agree the content of the charity's annual return to the Charity Commission;
    b) to agree to set up a separate bank account for the Warren Recreation Ground.

11. East Preston Community Boardwalk: to consider the commissioning of an independent Risk Assessment.

12. To undertake a review of the council's Financial Regulations.

13. To consider the future of 120 Sea Road.

14. To consider an official complaint received.

15. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th August.

16. To receive an update on matters from previous meetings.

17. New items to be referred to the next meeting (14th December, 18:00).

This meeting is open to the public. Where possible, members of the public are to be present five minutes before the start of the meeting.

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