

EAST MERSEA PARISH COUNCIL

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Locum Parish Clerk: Petra Palfreyman

02 October 2026

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the East Mersea Parish Council Meeting which will be held at East Mersea Village Hall on Thursday 8th October 2026 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Petra Palfreyman
Locum Parish Clerk & RFO

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. To confirm and agree the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 27th August 2026.
3. Declarations of interests
4. Public participation
5. To receive reports from County and City Councillors
6. Finance:
 - Budget to 30 September 2026
 - Bank reconciliation to 30 September 2026
 - Draft budget for 2027/28
 - Financial motions to be considered – see addendum attached
7. CCC Draft Local Plan including the Island Plan from WMTC - update
8. RCCE Low-Cost Housing – update
9. Caravan Parks - update
10. Planning Applications and Decisions:
 - 261541** Land off, Meeting Lane, East Mersea Colchester, Erection of a single-storey domestic storage outbuilding including hardstanding to front. Expiry date: 14/09/26 (extended to 9/10/26)
 - 261600** Land adj. to, 2 Hillside Cottages, Meeting Lane, East Mersea Colchester CO5 8TE Outline application for the construction of 3 no two bed bungalows with all matters reserved Expiry date: 25/09/26 (extended to 9/10/26)
11. Schedule of payments for approval:

October	Locum clerk invoice and	
2026	misc. purchases	1277.05

12. To consider adopting the General Power of Competence under Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 – this power improves Councils spending powers
13. To consider the options for repairs to the speed signs. Estimated quote for a new unit £4000 - £7000.
14. To discuss the introduction of E bikes in East Mersea and consider any issues that might arise
15. To discuss annual verge cutting
16. Clerks vacancy
 - To agree councillors for interviews and dates for interviews
 - To discuss the contract terms and conditions
17. To consider an annual subscription to CouncilWise, at a cost of £75.00 per year
18. To consider any projects for S106 expenditure
19. To consider a donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, for a wreath
20. Correspondence
21. Updates and information from the clerk
Gov.uk email addresses and website
Beach safety
Defibrillator – new case
22. Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda
23. Date of next meeting – To be agreed

Bank Balances – 30 September 2026

Current Account	£12898.06
Reserve Account	<u>£22110.92</u>
Total Funds 30th September 2026	<u>£35008.98</u>