

Halwill Parish Council

Agenda

January 2026

To members of Halwill Parish Council You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of **Halwill Parish Council** which will be held on 8 January **2025 at 7.30 p.m. at the Baptist Hall** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

2025/Jan/1 Apologies

To receive and accept apologies for absence. Apologies should be made known to the Clerk

2025/Jan/2 Declarations of interest and Requests for Dispensations:

To receive declarations of personal interest and disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI's) in respect of items on this agenda - To consider any dispensation requests. Requests should be made to the Clerk prior to the meeting

2025/Jan/3 Public question time

Deferment of business for Public Question Time. Time allowed at the discretion of the chairman. The public are invited to give their views and ask questions about items on this agenda. They may also raise issues for future consideration which may be made agenda items for a future meeting. Answers may be given in writing.

2025/Jan/4 Order of Business

At the discretion of the Chair, to adjust, as necessary, the order of agenda items to accommodate visiting members, officers or members of the public.

2025/Jan/5 Clerk's & Councillors' announcements

To receive any announcements which the Chair, a parish or visiting County or District Councillor or the Clerk may wish to make (for information only)

2025/Jan/6 Parish Council Minutes

To confirm Minutes for the December 2025 Parish Council Meeting

2025/Jan/7 Finances

1. To approve the bills for payment for January.

See Appendix 1 for list of payments made or to be authorised

2. Budget

The budget and precept were discussed at the December meeting. There was one proposed budget noted by the members. There has been a proposal for an amendment to the budget with proposed increases to the budget of £2,000, £5,000 or £10,000 to be used as funding for future projects. Modelling of the effects of the various proposed budgets on parishioners' council tax is provided in Appendix 2 of the meeting papers.

To consider the following resolution:

“Halwill Parish Council resolves to adopt the budget proposed at its December 2025 meeting. This budget predicts a total council expenditure of £27,050 inclusive of loan repayments to be funded by precept and licence payments from the school and football club”

To consider the following amendment:

“To increase the proposed budget by either £2,000, £5,000 or £10,000 to provide surplus funds for future projects”

3. Precept demand

The precept demanded will depend on whether the amendments to the proposed budget are agreed.

To consider the following resolution:

“Halwill Parish Council resolves to demand a precept of £23,850 (£25,850; £28,850 or £33,850 delete as applicable) from Torridge District Council”

2025/Jan/8 Planning

Torridge District Council, the determining authority, has asked for our comments on the following application:

Reference: 1/1003/2025/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of the existing agricultural building and the erection of a replacement dwelling in lieu of Class Q approval 1/0595/2025/AGMB (Self build)

Location: Agricultural Building 244459 099435, Station Road, Halwill

O.S. Map Reference: (E) 244459 (N) 99436

Any application received after this agenda has been published can be discussed but no decisions can be made

2025/Jan/9 Progress report on Baptist church drainage and boundary sale

For information only

2025/Jan/10 Active Halwill committee

List of delegated decisions made by the Active Halwill Committee. There is an Active Halwill meeting immediately prior to the main meeting.

2025/Jan/11 To consider joining the snow warden scheme

The school head has requested that the parish council grit the car park when ice is expected. For insurance reasons we cannot do this without trained personnel and we cannot allow volunteers to carry out such work on council land. Workers would need Chapter 8 accreditation.

Devon County Council have a [Snow Warden](#) scheme which will train operatives and cover them with their insurance as well as providing equipment and grit. If we were to join the

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scheme we would need to have someone willing to attend the training and do the gritting of paths and car parks.

2025/Jan/12 Action list

The Action List was circulated prior to the meeting. See Appendix 3

To note the content of the Action List.

To suggest additional measures to progress matters on the action list

2025/Jan/13 Correspondence

Correspondence received and to be written

We have received the following requests by correspondence:

1. Request to repair the path between the car park and school
2. Request to repair the fence between the football pitch and the school
3. Do we wish to receive a copy of the electoral register

2025/Jan/14 Next meeting

To agree the date and location of the next meeting

To agree the calendar of meetings for the year

2025/Jan/15 Exclusion of Public

The Chair to move:

“That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972”

2025/Jan/16 PART II - (CLOSED SESSION)

Items which may be taken in the absence of the public and press on the grounds that exempt information may be disclosed.

None expected

2025/Jan/17 Close