

WITCHAM PARISH COUNCIL



CLERK:

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To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 11 January 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Witcham, for the purpose of transacting the following business:

MEMBERS: 6 QUORUM 3

A G E N D A

Chairman's welcome and instructions regarding any Covid-19 protection measures

- 23/001 To receive and accept any apologies for absence
- 23/002 To receive any declarations of interest
Councillors to declare any pecuniary interests in any items on the agenda.
Councillors to declare any personal interests in any items on the agenda.
Councillors to declare any prejudicial interests in any items on the agenda and to inform the Chairman if they wish to speak on the matter during public participation.
- 23/003 Dispensations:
To note any new Dispensations granted: Nil
- 23/004 Public Participation
**To allow up to 15 minutes for any members of the public, and Councillors declaring the existence and nature of a prejudicial interest, to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at this meeting.
(3 minutes each to combined maximum of 15 minutes total for this agenda item (Standing Orders 3f) and 3g))**
- 23/005 To approve and sign the minutes of the following meetings
12 October 2022, 9 November 2022, 7 December 2022, and confirm the agendas of same dates.
- 23/006 Matters arising from previous minutes (for information only)
- 23/007 To receive reports from District and County Council representatives for December and January.
- 23/008 Planning Applications - Items for Information:
22/00090/DISB Kings of Witcham, The Slade To discharge Condition 10 (Boundary Treatments) and 20 (Refuse & Recycling Scheme) of decision 22/00090/VAR dated 20/04/2022 for Variation of conditions 1 (approved plans) and 3 (External Materials) of previously approved 17/00689/FUL for Demolition of existing motor vehicle garage and construction of 6No four bed dwellings, 2No 3 bed dwellings, garaging, access road and associated works

22/00600/FUL 15 Martins Lane, Witcham Proposed driveway – approved by ECDC

22/01222/TPO The Bury Meadows, Bury Road, Witcham A1 Various – Clear back the emerging surface vegetation 1m either side of the current clear usable surface, (2m currently). This vegetation is primarily bramble and young blackthorn suckers. In order to enable safe use of the route by horse-riders any encroaching vegetation/branches within this clearance width will be cut back to a height of 4mb – approved by ECDC

- 23/009 Neighbourhood Plan
To consider new draft Terms of Reference (previously circulated) and receive any updates regarding Locality Grant
- 23/010 2023/25 Grass Cutting Contract
To receive and consider tenders and select contractor for next term
- 23/011 Finance & Admin
- a) To approve receipts and payments for January 2023 (to follow)
 - b) To review and approve 2023/24 Budget and Precept
 - c) To review savings accounts
 - d) To confirm Pension rates (circulated)
 - e) To discuss contractor for cemetery inspections.
- 23/012 Recreation Ground
To receive monthly report on weekly inspections of play equipment and recreation ground. (MH)
- 23/013 Consultations
The Council is invited to comment on the following:
ECDC Licensing Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles, - CCTV)
- 23/014 MVAS – Speed cameras
- a) To receive latest speed data
 - b) To discuss establishing team volunteers to carry out regular speedwatch checks in the village
- 23/015 Street Lights and Highways
To receive any items to bring to attention of the Highways Authority
- 23/016 Correspondence (circulated)
To receive and consider the following items of information/interest and invites:
CCC Cost of Living Events Ely Library 25.1.23
CCC Community and Public Transport information sheet
CCC Traffic Management Centre (TMC) Incident Report and access to one.network and Councillor training
Cambridgeshire Constabulary East Cambs Community Meetings for 2023/24
Anglian Water – new reservoirs in the East of England – update on consultation process www.anglianwater.co.uk/new-reservoirs
Ouse Washes Newsletter
ECDC Thermal Imaging Camera Loan Scheme
NALC Bulletins, CEO reports, newsletters and Legal updates including arrangements for 2023 Parish Councillor Elections and Councillors taking office Tuesday 9th May 2023 (8th being Public Holiday)

23/017 Date of next meeting: 8 February 2023
Review Actions

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S J Bell
CLERK/RFO
5 January 2023

Applications for Dispensations must be submitted to the Clerk on the application form at least 4 days prior to the meeting.

NOTES:

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting and there is provision for public participation. Details may be obtained from the Clerk or Chairman prior to commencement of the meeting.

If the Council wishes to exclude the public and press from the meeting a resolution in the following terms will be passed:

"It is hereby resolved in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the (*special*) (*confidential*) nature of the business about to be transacted at Agenda Item (*No*) namely (*state subject listed*) it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded from this meeting and they are herewith instructed to withdraw. (*Mr/Mrs/Cllr*) to be invited to remain." (as applicable)

Code of Conduct para 12(2) 'If a Councillor with a prejudicial interest wishes to speak on an agenda item then that interest and intention must be stated immediately after the first item of the Agenda. The public will be allowed a maximum of six speakers who may provide information for up to three minutes only and each person may only speak once. The Chairman will look to secure a balance of public speakers. The public participation is not to be a part of the debate but merely fact giving and answering questions in the same manner as the councillor with the prejudicial interest" .