

Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of the Parish Council at 7:00pm on Monday 15th February 2021

This meeting will be via the online meeting platform "Zoom".

Press and public are cordially invited to attend – please contact the Clerk for information about how members of the public can participate (clerk@clentparishcouncil.gov.uk)

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

With reference to items on the agenda members are reminded of their responsibility to declare interests (pecuniary and non-pecuniary) and to update their register of interests as required.

3. Dispensations

To consider any requests to the Clerk for dispensations from Members who have declared an interest but wish to stay in the meeting during that time to aid discussion/speak/vote.

4. Questions from the Public (15 minutes maximum)

Electors are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this Agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. The exact duration of the public section is at the discretion of the Chairman.

5. Updates from District/County Councillors

To receive updates from the Bromsgrove District Councillors and Worcestershire County Councillor.

6. Minutes (*)

To resolve to accept the minutes from the Parish Council meeting on the 18th January 2021 as true record of the proceedings.

7. Correspondence (*)

To consider the following correspondence received since the last meeting:

(a) From a resident in relation to dog waste bags and the pool in Centenary Field.

8. Covid-19 Community Support Group Legacy Proposals

To receive any update from the Chairman following the group's most recent meeting.

9. Clent Community Broadband Project

To receive an update from Cllr Beaumont on the progress of this project and agree any parish council actions necessary.

10. Finance (*)

(a) To consider and agree the payment of the following for February 2021:

(i) Clerk salary & expenses £TBC
(ii) HMRC PAYE Feb 2021 £TBC
(iii) Mr Ed Sheppard Lengthsman £TBC

- (b) To receive a report and recommendation from CIIr Bates in relation to moving to online banking.
- (c) To consider and approve the budget monitoring report (circulated previously)
- (d) To consider and approve the monthly bank reconciliation for January 2021 (circulated previously)

11. General maintenance & highway matters

To discuss any highway and/or parish maintenance matters and agree any action necessary.

- (a) Ongoing traffic and parking issues around the Clent Hills and damage to verges from anti-social behaviour in vehicles.
- (b) Noticeboard at French Hen this has rotted and fallen and is not repairable. Agree to purchase a new wooden noticeboard up to a maximum of £1000.
- (c) To consider any other general maintenance or highway matters

12. Field Maintenance & Play Areas

- (a) Grass cutting As agreed at the last meeting, the Cricket Club would start grass cutting again in the spring, but it is proposed by the Chairman that the monthly rate rises from £325 to £350.
- (b) Bench maintenance. To consider the cost of purchasing a petrol pressure washer to be used to clean the parish council's benches which could also be used for other tasks (Lengthsman duties, play equipment cleaning etc). Agree cost up to a maximum of £500.
- (c) To receive quotes from Cllr Sheppard to install rubber surface chippings to the Trim Trail equipment and agree to go ahead with this work.
- (d) To discuss/consider any other field maintenance or play area matters and agree any action necessary.

13. Planning (*)

To consider any planning applications submitted to Bromsgrove DC and make any comments in support or objection as consultee.

(a) 21/00017/PIP - Application for Permission in Principle for a Single Self-Build Live/Work Dwelling - Land Adjacent To, Windover Cottage, Field Lane, Clent.

14. Parish Magazine

To nominate a Councillor to write next month's contribution to the Parish Magazine.

15. Councillors' reports and items for the next Agenda

To receive any items of information from Councillors and consider items for the next Agenda.

(*) Denotes that this item has an associated written report which may be attached with this Agenda, sent separately, or made available at the meeting.

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Nick Farress Clerk & RFO