



# Clent Parish Council

Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of the Parish Council at  
**7:00pm on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
at Clent Parish Hall, Church Ave, Clent, Stourbridge DY9 9QT  
Press and public are cordially invited to attend.

## 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. Clent Connect Grant Request 2024/25**

To receive a request for funding for the next financial year towards the cost of running the community shop and café, plus other outreach activities.

**6. Updates from District/County Councillors**

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

**7. Minutes**

To resolve to accept the minutes from the Parish Council meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 as true record of the proceedings.

**8. Correspondence**

To consider any correspondence received since the last meeting:

(a) From a parishioner in relation to road run off water draining into the village pond.

**9. Finance**

(a) To consider and agree the payment of the following for February 2024:

(i) Clerk salary & expenses	£781.46
(ii) HMRC PAYE	£20.08
(iii) Ed Sheppard Lengthsman	£TBC
(iv) GJH Electrical (xmas tree lights)	£148.50

(b) To consider and approve the budget monitoring report (circulated previously)

(c) To consider and approve the monthly bank reconciliation for January 2024 (circulated previously)

**10. Community Orchard and Apple Tree Grafting – Cllr Bates**

To consider a proposal by Cllr Bates to circulate the details of the community orchard (as penned by Lawrence Weston) as a flyer to each household, and fund the cost of the “Apple Tree Grafting Day” being held as part of the project. The suggested amount is £460.

**11. General maintenance & highway matters**

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

**12. Field Maintenance & Play Areas**

(a) To discuss/consider any 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 – Cllr A Sherrey.

**14. Clent Youth Council**

To receive an update from Cllr M Sherrey and Cllr ffoulkes regarding the reinstatement of the Youth Council.

**15. Parish Magazine**

To agree content for April’s contribution to the Parish Magazine.

**16. Councillors’ reports and items for the next Agenda**

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

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Nick Farress  
Clerk & RFO

