

Clent Parish Council

Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of the Parish Council at **7:00pm on Monday 21st July 2025**

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. Clent Youth Council

To receive an update from the Chair of the Youth Council and consider any requests.

5. 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.

6 Updates from District/County Councillors

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

7. Minutes

To resolve to accept the minutes from the Parish Council meeting on the 19th May 2025 as true record of the proceedings.

8. Correspondence

To consider any correspondence received since the last meeting.

- (a) From WMP asking for any updates on the PC's crime and policing priorities.
- (b) From a resident reporting that the VAS on Bromsgrove Rd is not working.
- (c) From a resident asking when the gateway planters are going to receive some attention.
- (d) From WMP asking for the PC to identify any fly tipping "hotspots".

(e) From BDC approving the PC's grant application for new play equipment up to £6,250.

(f) From a resident in relation to "dangerous parking" near the Woodman pub on Bromsgrove Road

9. Finance

(a) To ratify the payment of the following for June 2025:

(i) Clerk salary & expenses	£803.88
(ii) HMRC PAYE	£80.74
(iii) Mr Ed Sheppard Lengthsman (3 mths)	£1001.75
(iv) Clent Parish Hall	£86.25
(v) First Choice Electrical (defib work)	£393.60

(vi) Bromsgrove DC Lease on land	£60.00
(vii) Clent Cricket Club	£880.00
(viii) Candoo Web Design	£997.00

(b) To consider and agree the payment of the following for July 2025:

-	£803.88
	£80.74
	£TBC
	£134.40
	£901.75
	£419.31
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(c) To consider and approve the budget monitoring report (circulated previously)

(d) To consider and approve the monthly bank reconciliation for May 2025 and June 2025 (circulated previously)

(e) To consider changing to online banking and how this may work in practice.

10. General maintenance & highway matters

(a) Nimmings Car Park and highway improvements to discourage late night ASB (Cllr May/NT) – progress update on stopping up order and new TRO.

(b) Repairs to bench outside church – progress update (Cllr Sheppard)

(c) Litter bin outside parish hall – quote from BDC (Cllr May)

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

11. Field Maintenance & Play Areas

- (a) Trim Trail field lease update re potential asset transfer (Cllr May)
- (b) Pond footpath levelling/surfacing update on new contractor to carry out work
- (c) To consider and agree on the new play equipment to be purchased with the BDC
- Community Grant.
- (d) To discuss/consider any other field maintenance issues and agree any action necessary.

12. Planning

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

13. Parish Magazine

To agree on content for the September PC article in Contact Magazine.

14. 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