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Parish Council Meeting Agenda

Councillors are hereby summoned, and members of the public are invited, to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to be held in the **Ashill Village Hall** on **Monday 3 July 2023** at **7.30pm** for the purposes detailed in the following

1. Apologies

- a) To receive & note any other apologies with reasons for absence.
- **2. Casual Vacancy** to note the Parish Council has one remaining Casual Vacancy to be filled by co-option.
- 3. Chairmans' Opening Statement

4. Public Participation

- To welcome members of the public who are invited to make representations & ask questions either in respect of any matter on this agenda or any matter affecting the Parish;
- To welcome & receive reports from County Cllr Sue Osborne (subject to their availability).
- 5. Declarations of Interests / Dispensation Requests to receive any declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda; & to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
- **6. Minutes** to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 May 2023 (attached).

7. Planning

a) To note that no planning applications have been received since the previous council meeting

8. Playing Field

- a) Cllr Frv to present an inspection report for June 2023:
- b) Cllr Fry to give update on relocation of outdoor table tennis table from school to playing field
- c) Cllr Varney to introduce the discussion on playing field sponsorship / advertising.
- d) Clerk to confirm receipt of £2000 grant for MUGA works.
- e) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding the Playing Field.

9. Highways / Footpaths

- a) Clerk to give update on traffic survey conducted on Windmill Hill lane (communication from Somerset Highways attached).
- b) Cllr Fry to update on footpath issues behind Ashton Close and stile removal from churchyard towards windmill hill.
- c) Cllr Crouch to give an update on handrail installation at end of footpath behind Ashton Close.
- d) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding Highways / Footpaths.

10. Health / Environment / Parish Assets

- a) Cllr Fry to update on book exchange in bus shelter(s);
- b) Cllr Harvey to give an update on notice board replacement at Southtown and also Perspex replacement for village notice board.
- c) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding Health / Environment / Parish Assets.



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11. Village Hall

- a) Mr P Lang to provide an update on the Village Hall roof replacement works.
- b) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding the Village Hall.

12. Church

- a) Cllr Pyle to report any matters regarding the Church
- b) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding the Church.

13. Communication and processes

- a) Cllr Harvey to give update on the recent Local Community Network (LCN) meeting held on 15th June 2023.
- b) Cllr Varney to give update on website home page revisions
- c) To receive for consideration any other matters regarding communication.

14. Finance

- i) To receive for consideration for June 2023 Finance Report (*to follow*);ii) To confirm removal of B. Able from bank account signatories
- iii) To confirm application for Cllr Fry and Cllr Varney to have online banking access. Clerk to also be granted online banking access with delegated authority.
- iv) Appointment of non-bank signatory councillor to perform quarterly review of bank statements and reconciliation spreadsheet with invoices to ensure alignment.
- v) To confirm the 2022/23 AGAR Certificate of Exemption was submitted on 09Jun23.
- vi) To confirm APC has instructed Astria Precision Payroll as their ongoing payroll provider (attachment - letter of engagement).
- vii) To approve the following payments:

Cost description	Total Value	VAT	Date Paid	Invoice Reference
Churchyard Gatepost replacement -	£150.00	25.00		INV-188
Montague Countryside Services				(Payment due 06Jul23)
Payroll Services – Astria Precision	£60.00	10.00	23Jun23	INV-33799
Payroll				(Payment due 26Jun23)
Royal Mail – Letter postage to	£2.60		09Jun23	WP-1712-7690-240
Clarks Foundation				

15. Items for consideration for a future agenda

- Updated standing orders (using most recent NALC model)
- Updated financial regulations (using most recent NALC model).
- Defibrillator replacement funding strategy
- Review of bank account signatories
- **16.** Next Meeting to confirm the next meeting is to be held on 4th September 2023.

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Clerk to the Council 27th June 2023

Attachments to be shared electronically:

- Email from Rebecca Vaughn regarding outcome of traffic survey on Windmill Hill Lane.
- Letter of engagement from Astria Payroll
- APC meeting minutes from 15th May 2023
- Finance report to end of June 2023 (to follow)



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• Invoices for Gate post installation (INV-188) and Astria Precision Payroll (INV-33799)