

BLOXHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MONDAY 9 JANUARY 2023

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Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Monday 9 January 2023 at 7.15pm** in the small meeting room at Jubilee Hall, Barley Close, Bloxham to consider the business set out in the Agenda below and you are summoned to attend.

The District Councillors Mike Bishop, David Hingley and Adam Nell and County Councillor Kieron Mallon are also invited to attend.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting, however please note that this will be for the purposes of viewing the meeting only and public participation will only be permitted during the Open Forum. The 3 minute public speaking rule, as per the Parish Council's Standing Orders, will apply.

T.Goss
Clerk to the Parish Council

A G E N D A

1. **Welcome/Recording of Meetings** – To welcome Councillors and the public to the meeting and advise on the procedure for the recording of meetings.
7:15pm

2. **Apologies for absence** - To receive any apologies for absence from the meeting.

Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting as, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted.

7:15pm

3. **Declarations of Interest**

(a) To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers.

(b) To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

Advice on declarations of interest should be sought from the Clerk prior to the meeting, as advice cannot be given to Councillors at Parish Council meetings.

7:15pm – 7:20pm

4. **Minutes** - To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 7 November 2022. **(Attached)**
7:20pm – 7:25pm
5. **Matters Arising** - To discuss any issues arising from the minutes of 7 November 2022.
7:25pm – 7:35pm
6. **Chairman's Announcements**
 - Issues with Amazon delivery vans at The Gogs
 - Car park on Tadmarton Road, Bloxham
 - Replacement planters on A361
 - Progress report on traffic calming proposals**7:35pm – 7:40pm**
7. **Open Forum** - Residents of the village are invited to raise any items which concern the Parish.
7:40pm – 7:50pm
8. **Reports from County and District Councillors** - To receive reports from the Bloxham County Councillor and District Councillors.
7:50pm – 8:00pm
9. **Village Matters**
 - i) Burial Ground – To receive an update on the discussions with the PCC regarding a new burial ground in Bloxham.
 - ii) Memorial Bench – To discuss making a contribution to a Memorial Bench for David Tyrrell, who passed away in November 2022.
 - iii) Parking Spaces at The Old Bank – To consider an offer from the landowner to utilise his land for three parking spaces.
 - iv) County Council Tree Donation – To discuss the offer of a tree to be planted in the village by the County Council. **(Information previously circulated)**
 - v) Bloxham Recreation Ground Pavilion – To receive and update on the proposed works to the roof at the pavilion. **(Report to follow)****8:00pm – 8:20pm**
10. **Planning**
 - i) Planning Applications – To note the planning applications considered by the Parish Council since the last meeting. **(Attached)**
 - ii) Results of Planning Applications – To note decisions made by Cherwell District Council since the last meeting of the Parish Council. **(Attached)****8:20pm – 8:25pm**
11. **Parish Council Matters**
 - i) Vacancies – To consider any applications for co-option onto the Parish Council. **(Application to follow)**
 - ii) Drop-In and Chat – To discuss any issues raised at the Drop-In and Chat on 10 December 2022. **(Report to follow)**
 - iii) Early Day Motion – To discuss supporting the House of Commons, Early Day Motion (EDM) tabled by Dr Julian Lewis, MP for New Forest East. The EDM will call on the Government to re-visit its response to the Committee on Standards in Public Life report on local government ethical standards, including the introduction of tougher sanctions to deal with poor behaviour in local

councils. **(Information previously circulated)**
8:25pm – 8:35pm

12. **Financial Matters**

- i) Accounts for Payment, Uncashed Payments, Bank Reconciliation and Income - To approve the accounts for payment and note the uncashed payments, bank reconciliation and income since the last meeting. **(Report to follow)**
- ii) Budget Monitoring – To note the budget monitoring report from April 2022 to January 2023. **(Report to follow)**
- iii) Parish Council Bank Accounts – To discuss moving some of the Parish Council funds into another bank account or making an investment.
- iv) Internal Audit 2022/2023 – To note the Interim Internal Audit report for 2022/2023. **(Report to follow)**

8:35pm – 8:45pm

13. **Correspondence** – Items of correspondence will be circulated to members. **8:45pm – 8:50pm**

14. **Public and Press** – To consider passing a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for items numbered 15 & 16 on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of private and confidential information.
8:50pm

15. **Grass Cutting Contract 2023/2024** – To discuss the grass cutting contract for 2023/2024. **(Quote to follow)**
8:50pm – 9:00pm

16. **Tree Works & Bench on The Green (by the War Memorial)** – To consider quotes for works to cut back the trees on the Green and a replacement bench. **(Quotes to follow)**
9:00pm – 9:05pm

17. **Meeting Dates** – Future meeting dates for Bloxham Parish Council are stated below. They will commence at 7.00pm at Jubilee Hall, Barley Close, Bloxham. Please check the agenda for clarification the week before the meeting.

- Monday 6 February 2023
- Monday 6 March 2023
- Monday 3 April 2023
- Thursday 13 April 2023 (Annual Parish Meeting)

9:05pm

18. **Items for the Future Agendas/Items of Information**

- No dog fouling' signs in Gascoigne Way
- Pension Policy
- Traffic Calming Working Group
- Queen Street Land
- Energy Crisis

9:05pm

Councillors are asked to note that in the exercise of their functions, they must take note of the following: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); Crime & Disorder, Health & safety and Human Rights.

Parish Council 'Drop-in and Chat' Sessions are usually held on second Saturday of the month, at the Ex-Serviceman's Hall from 10.30am to 11.30am.

**Residents are invited along to meet their Parish Councillors and discuss any items affecting the village.
Next Session: Saturday 14 January 2023**

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