Members of the Public and Press Welcome to Attend Agenda Published: 5 November 2024 Circulated to Borough and County Councillor Helen Richardson, Parish Clerk and RFO

Public Participation (First 15 minutes)

This slot is for public comments and questions on parish issues before the meeting starts. After this period, public participation is only allowed with the Chair's permission. Note: All attendees must observe the Parish Council's approved Standing Orders, including sections on 'Disorderly Conduct at Meetings' and 'Meetings Generally'. More info overpage.

Ordinary Meeting Agenda

(Note: The meeting will start between 6:45 and 7:00 pm if no public is present)

- 1. Openness and Transparency Notice & Apologies for Absence To consider and accept apologies for absence.
- 2. Declarations of Interest To note declarations of interest on agenda items and dispensation requests.
- Minutes of the Previous Meeting To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 14th September 2024 and note the Matters Arising Report.
- 4. Parish Partnership Fund 2025/26 To approve the fund application for a fixed speed sign at the scrap yard end of A134
- 5. Norfolk County Council Subsidised Trees To approve application and purchase of trees.
- 6. Gravel for Parish Council Owned Land at Entrance to Playing Field To approve purchase of gravel for playing field entrance to Parish Council owned land.
- 7. Church Yard Trees To approve a quote for work to trees in the churchyard and application to the CIL fund in January.
- 8. Draft Parish Budget and Precept (inc Six Month Bank Reconciliation) To discuss and note the draft budget which will be approved at the January Ordinary meeting.
- Government Consultation: To Discuss and Approve a Response to Government Consultation regarding enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings
- 10. SLCC Membership Clerk To approve the renewal of the annual membership.
- Business Continuity Statement To approve the review of the statement.
- 12. Payments to Date To approve payments to date.
- 13. Councillors' Concerns and Agenda Items for Next Meeting To receive concerns and agenda items for the next meeting and forward work programme.
- Date of Next Meeting To approve the date of the next meeting – Monday, 13 January 2025 at 645 pm in the Community Room, Wereham Village Hall.

15. Closed Session: Clerks Annual Appraisal and Approval of Sector Pay Review 2024/25 and Performance Review of Grounds Maintenance Contract to Continue for Third and Final Year of Contract 2025

* Standing Orders (Extract) Available on Website > Policies Disorderly conduct at meetings

- a No person shall obstruct the transaction of business at a meeting or behave offensively or improperly. If this standing order is ignored, the chairman of the meeting shall request such person(s) to moderate or improve their conduct.
- b If person(s) disregard the request of the chairman of the meeting to moderate or improve their conduct, any councillor or the chairman of the meeting may move that the person be no longer heard or be excluded from the meeting. The motion, if seconded, shall be put to the vote without discussion.
- c If a resolution made under standing order 2(b) is ignored, the chairman of the meeting may take further reasonable steps to restore order or to progress the meeting. This may include temporarily suspending or closing the meeting.
- 3. Meetings Generally
- a Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda.
- b The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting in accordance with standing order 3(e) shall not exceed (15) minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting.
- c Subject to standing order 3(f), a member of the public shall not speak for more than (3) minutes.
- d In accordance with standing order 3(e), a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.
- e A person shall raise his hand when requesting to speak and stand when speaking (except when a person has a disability or is likely to suffer discomfort)]. The chairman of the meeting may at any time permit a person to be seated when speaking.
- f A person who speaks at a meeting shall direct his comments to the chairman of the meeting.
- g Only one person is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chairman of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.

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