

DODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE CHURCH ROOMS,
HIGH STREET ON WEDNESDAY 13th September 2023 at 7.00pm

AGENDA

1. Open Forum
2. Apologies of absence
3. Declaration of Interest. If any Councillor needs to declare an interest in any item on the agenda would they please do so at this point in time
4. Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th July 2023 (copy attached)
5. Matters arising from previous minutes:
 - a) Anglian Water Fens Reservoir – Community Liaison Group and Surveys
6. Coronation commemorative planters – Relocate and fill
7. Police Matters: Minutes from meetings of 10th August and 1st September
8. Fenland DC, CCC and other external organisation matters:
 - a) Updates from FDC and CCC
9. Highway Issues:
 - a) Items involving trees, hedges, pot holes etc
 - b) County Council weed spraying policy
 - c) MVAS – update on order
 - d) LHI 2023/2024 update
 - e) LHI 2024/2025 indication of interest
10. Planning:
 - a) New planning applications (details previously circulated)
 - i. F/YR23/0665/F Insertion of dormer roof extension including raising roof height of garage (to enable loft conversion for the creation of additional living accommodation) to existing dwelling at 1 May Meadows Doddington.
 - b) Other planning matters:
 - i. FDC have published the holding balances of section 106 monies by location as at 25th May 2023
 - ii. FDC Local Plan – update
 - iii. Doddington Neighbourhood Plan – update
 - iv. NALC are organising an online event on making the planning system work for local councils. This is due to take place on 22nd November 2023. The cost is £39.22 inc VAT per person

11. Doddington Scout Group:
 - a) Update on the Scout Hall trusteeship
 - b) To acknowledge the community work that the Scout Group have undertaken at the Benwick Road Cemetery.
12. Abbey Recreation Ground:
 - a) Update on the repairs and grass cutting since BAFC terminated the agreement to use the ground and pavilion.
 - b) To consider future arrangements for the ground and pavilion:
 - i. Doddington Football Club – signing of lease
 - ii. Use by other clubs
 - c) To consider quotations for the preparation of drawings to cover the boundary of the Recreation Ground plus drawings to cover extending the existing car park
13. Benwick Road Cemetery:
 - a) Following the lifting of the grasscrete units, quotation invites will shortly be issued to contractors to relay the car park surface.
14. Street Lighting:
 - a) Update on the possibility to increase the luminaire value of our existing lights and to ascertain any “dark areas” within the village
 - b) Report on outstanding street light repairs
15. Village Maintenance and potential village improvements:
 - a) Repairs to the posts and chains near the Clock Tower
 - b) Grass cutting contracts:
 - i. Road verges
 - ii. Invites have been sent out to prospective contractors to cut the grass at the Abbey Recreation Ground and Benwick Road Cemetery
 - c) To comment on a possible scheme to construct a Community Garden in Walden Close
 - d) To comment on a possible scheme to organise a Community Living Room in the village this autumn
16. Website and Communications:
17. Financial Matters:
 - a) Banking arrangements – update
 - b) External Auditors Report on the financial year 2022/2023
 - c) Invoices for payment
18. Correspondence:
 - a) Christmas Lights switch on and to consider a request from the Christmas Lights Committee to increase the amount of lighting on the Clock Tower
19. Any Other Business: