



**Meeting of the Parish Council to be held  
in the Village Hall, Northiam at 7.00pm,  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**Members of the Public and Press are welcome and encouraged to attend.**

## AGENDA

**SIGNED: Georgina Jackson, Parish Clerk**

**Date: 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023**

*Georgina Jackson*

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**1) Apologies for Absence**

**2) Public Questions (Maximum of 15 minutes)**

**3) Declaration of Interests and Lobbying**

To receive any declaration by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as personal, pecuniary or prejudicial under the Code of Members Conduct.

**4) Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

To approve and sign the minutes and confidential report of the Full Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November and the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**5) Finances**

- i) To receive & approve the payment report for November and December 2022
- ii) To receive the most recent bank reconciliation and financial report
- iii) To ratify the payment of £18599.07 for the slide to KOMPAN
- iv) To ratify the insurance cover and premium of £5,615.01 from Gallagher. This figure includes all fees
- v) To approve the time-sheet of the Locum Clerk for the period 20/12/2022 – 06/01/2022

**6) To retrospectively approve the instructing of a contractor to remove the tree that came down at the allotment site at a cost of £150 plus VAT. This will be spent from the Horticultural Services budget line. Actual YTD £1,000.**

**7) Stables Lease**

- a) To consider obtaining legal advice from Wellers Solicitors on the legalities of the lease with regard to the items mentioned in the report.

1. Attestation clause.
2. CCTV element and signing without a resolution of the council.

3. The requirement of NPC to obtain the planning permission on behalf of the tenant and the power that the council would use to do this without the General Power of Competency.
4. Clarify options moving forward.

- b) To agree expenditure of up to £5,000 to obtain the above legal advice and the budget line that the expenditure should be taken from.

#### **8) Tree Works from Survey Undertaken**

Items of expenditure to consider outside budget limit

Councillors to consider spend costs outside of the approved annual budget.

- (a) To agree the tree works.

Tree Works Budget Actual YTD £1,380 with £4,620 remaining in budget line.

#### **9) Appointment of Transport Engineers for Change of Use applications at St Francis Fields.**

To agree to defer this item until legal advice has been obtained from Wellers Solicitors and the Association of Local Clerks.

#### **10) Budget and Precept 2023/24**

- i) To receive draft budget for 2023/ 2024.
- ii) To agree final budget for 2023/ 2024.

#### **11) Precept**

To agree Precept for 2023/2024.

#### **12) To agree self-delivery in relation to the urban grass cutting options for 2023.**

#### **13) To appoint new Councillor volunteer for weekly visual playground inspections.**

#### **14) To consider refilling the salt bins in Wilderness Gardens.**

#### **15) Reports by County and District Councillors**

- i) District Councillor Martin Mooney
- ii) District Councillor Tony Ganly
- iii) County Councillor Paul Redstone

#### **16) VILLAGE MATTERS**

- i) Correspondence
- ii) Councillors' Reports

#### **17) Planning**

**Applications from November agenda:**

- i) RR/2022/2437/P - **Undecided**

Newlands, Dixter Lane, Northiam TN31 6PR

Variation of conditions 2, 6 and 8 imposed on RR/2018/2282/P and conditions 1, 5 and 7 imposed on App/U1430/W/21/3279903 to amend the vehicular access to plots 2 and 3

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2437/P&from=planningSearch>

- ii) RR/2022/2355/P – **Approved Conditional**  
Windmill Cottage, Beacon Lane, Northiam TN31 6PJ

Demolition of the existing dwelling house and replacement with 2x 2 Bed dwelling houses and associated landscaping.

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2355/P&from=planningSearch>

- iii) RR/2022/2535/L **Listed BC Granted**  
Great Dixter, Great Dixter House & Gardens, Dixter Lane, Northiam TN31 6PH

Essential repairs to the Wagon Shed

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2535/L&from=planningSearch>

**New Applications/Amendments to current applications:**

- iv) RR/2022/2804/P  
Land east of Ivy Lodge, Station Road, Northiam

Erection of 5no. detached dwellings with associated access, parking and landscaping, works to include closure of existing access.

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2804/P&from=planningSearch>

- v) RR/2022/2437/P  
Newlands, Dixter Lane, Northiam TN31 6PR

Variation of conditions 2, 6 and 8 imposed on RR/2018/2282/P and conditions 1, 5 and 7 imposed on App/U1430/W/21/3279903 to amend the vehicular access to plots 2 and 3.

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- vi) RR/2022/2938/P  
Morley Cottage - Land adjacent to, Beckley Road, Northiam TN31 6JB

Erection of an agricultural building to be used for the safe and secure storage of agricultural equipment, machinery and coppiced timber.

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2938/P&from=planningSearch>

- vii) RR/2022/2691/P 2  
2 Millfield Cottages, Beacon Lane, Northiam TN31 6PJ

Demolition of existing single garage and erection of double garage building with room in the roof.

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2691/P&from=planningSearch>

- ix) RR/2022/2266/P  
6 Station Road Coplands Plat, Northiam TN31 6QB  
Proposed off road parking and pavement crossover for wheelchair access

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2266/P&from=planningSearch>

- x) RR/2022/2711/P  
Northiam Village Hall - Car Park, Frenwen Close, Northiam TN31 6RA  
Retention of a portacabin to be used part-time as village library.

<https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2022/2711/P&from=planningSearch>

***All appeals, enforcements and decision notices have been previously circulated to Councillors.***

**18) To agree the public's exclusion from the confidential part of the meeting.**

That in view of the confidential nature of the business (employment/legal issues) about to be transacted it was resolved under the provisions of Public Bodies admissions to meetings Act 1960 s.1 that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.

**Human Resources**

**19)** To consider entering into early conciliation in relation to ACAS application and asking to clarify the details.

**20)** To confirm the hourly rate for the Locum Clerk.

**21)** To agree mileage for the locum clerk to attend meetings at the standard rate of 0.45 pence per mile.