

**To all members of the Council, you are summoned to attend a Full Council Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 8th February 2024 at 19.00.**

**This meeting will be held at Northiam Village Hall, Main Street, Northiam**

**Members: Cllr Biggs, Cllr Fairbrass, Cllr Fenton, Cllr Harding, Cllr Luckett, Cllr Russell, Cllr Sargent, Cllr Schlesinger, Cllr Wadie**

**AGENDA**

**SIGNED: Nicola Ideson, Parish Clerk Date: 1st February 2024**

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|  | **To receive and accept Apologies for Absence** |  |
|  | **Chairman’s Announcements.** |  |
|  | **To adjourn the meeting to enable members of the public and Councillors to address the meeting.**This is a concessionary short session and will be limited to 15 minutes. Three minutes per person will be allowed initially and only if time permits will further comments be heard. This is a ‘for information’ session only and no action can be taken upon those items raised.  |  |
|  | **To receive Declarations of Interest 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. |  |
|  | **Minutes** to receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Council meeting held on 11th January 2024. | Appendix A |
|  | **To receive a report from the County Councillor.**  | Appendix B |
|  | **To receive reports from District Councillors.** | Appendix C |
|  | **Finance** |  |
|  | To receive & approve the payment schedule for February 2024. |  |
|  | To note the bank reconciliation for December 2023 |  |
|  | To receive the Payments and Receipts report for 22-23 | Appendix D |
|  | To receive the CIL report. | Appendix E |
|  | To agree the continuation of the grounds maintenance contract at a cost of £11258 per year. An increase of £433. |  |
|  | To agree expenditure of £750 to Wealden Traditional Construction Ltd for the design plans of the new Football Pavilion to be claimed back from S106 held by Rother DC. |  |
|  | To agree expenditure of £6615 to Bourne Sport for football pitch improvements to be claimed back from S106 held by Rother DC. |  |
|  | **Expenditure in line with 4.1 of the Financial Regulations** |  |
|  | No expenditure |  |
|  | **To arrange the Annual Parish Meeting and set a budget.** |  |
|  | **To receive the Playground maintenance report following from the annual inspection and quotes for repair.** |  |
|  | **To discuss ideas of use for the de-commissioned phone box.** |  |
|  | **To discuss the future of the Lollipop person patrol.** |  |
|  | **Governance** |  |
|  | To consider a Bio-Diversity Policy | Appendix D |
|  | To consider a Social-Media Policy | Appendix E |
|  | To consider an application from a resident to install a bench. |  |
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 | **St Francis Field** |  |
|  | To approve a sheep grazing license for fields 11 & 12  |  |
|  | To begin the ‘Change of Use’ planning application for the Natural Burial Ground |  |
|  | To form a working group to discuss the details for the Natural Burial Ground |  |
|  | To consider appointing an independent land agent to advise the Council, before deciding future actions in relation to the planning application for the Stables  |  |
|  | To consider the Lost England Project proposal |  |
|  | To agree to place a sign in Harlotts Wood asking people not to disturb the woodland. |  |
|  | To agree to form a working group to revise the CIC/NPC Management Agreement. |  |
|  | **Reports from Councillors** |  |
|  | **Planning** |  |
|  | [**RR/2024/61/P**](https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2024/61/P&from=planningSearch) **- 15 Wilderness Gardens, Northiam TN31 6GB**Conversion of garage to provide an annexe |  |
|  | [**RR/2023/2627/P**](https://planweb01.rother.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=RR/2023/2627/P) **- Windmill Cottage, Beacon Lane, Northiam TN31 6PJ**The erection of 1No. New Dwelling house adjacent to the building known as Windmill Cottage, together with the associated new landscaping. (alternative to RR/2023/326/P). |  |
|  | **Second Session for Public Questions**As resolved for inclusion at the July 2023 meeting, a second session for public questions or comments. |  |
|  | **Resolution to exclude the Press and Public.** |  |
| **In accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 that, because of the confidential and/or sensitive nature of the business to be transacted, (may it be legal, contractual or employment issues), the press and public are instructed to withdraw.** |
|  | **Leases** |  |
|  | To consider the legal process after the departure of the Stables tenant. |  |