

BRIDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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6th November 2023

To Members of Bridford Parish Council.

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Bridford Parish Council, to be held **on Monday 13th November 2023 at 7pm in the Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business.**

Members of the public and press are invited to attend the meeting.

Penny Clapham

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Locum Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1) Co-option to Council to fill two vacancies -

2) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

An opportunity for members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business on the agenda, or any matter of interest to the parish. The period of time designated for public participation shall not exceed 30 minutes. (Standing Orders 3e and 3f).

Reminder that members of the public are not allowed to raise issues when Council is in committee.

3) Apologies For Absence:

4) Declarations Of Interest: In accordance with the Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have, in items to be considered at this meeting. Members are also reminded that any change to their Declaration of Interests must be notified to the Monitoring Officer at District Council within 28 days of the change.

5) District and County Councillor Reports – to include an update on the mobile library service if available. Cllr. Purser's report attached to this agenda.

6) Chairman's Report (for information only)

7) Minutes – to approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd October 2023.

8) Village Hall – to receive an update. Cllr. Padgham to report.

9) PLANNING

Planning Applications - Dartmoor National Park has asked for observations from the Parish Council on the following planning applications:

Planning Decisions

10) FINANCE

Expenditure	Glasdon UK Ltd – gritter service & repair	£918.96	BACs
	Locum Clerk expenses – October	£254.74	BACs
	A. Williams – refund allotment deposit	£15.00	BACs

Bank Reconciliation and Statement

Council to resolve to accept the accounts.

11) Budget – initial discussions for setting the budget for 2024/2025.

12) Gritter volunteers – to consider expenses for those who volunteer to tow the gritter during icy conditions. Snow warden scheme and to request names of snow volunteers and to find out if any of the volunteers have undergone the required training through Devon County Council.

13) Twinning Road Signage – Highways Officer cannot offer any funding for such signage but is happy to meet and discuss locations.

14) Policies – to consider and approve.

- a. A grant giving policy with criteria and a proposed application form for grants – circulated prior to this meeting.
- b. A reserves policy – circulated prior to this meeting.

15) Replacement Clerk – to receive an update on progress for a permanent clerk.

16) Clerk's report

Councillor's reports and External Meetings attended (for information only)

Items for Information - The next council meeting will be on Monday tba 2023 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Email information received

DALC bulletin 42 (sent 05/10)

District Cllr. Purser's report dated 2nd November 2023

Hopefully the storm will have passed but please see Teignbridge , Environment agency and Devon cc websites for severe weather information and reporting process for damage.

The controversial plan to build a new cinema in Newton Abbott has now been abandoned. Proposals likely to be put forward to refurbish modernise the Alexandra theatre and market hall.

Road changes in Queen Street subject to a lot of objections but still planned to proceed.

Doddiscombsleigh railway bridge will hopefully be repaired this week but this bad weather may delay repair.

Further roadworks planned for Teign valley road from 6 to 10 November at / near Venn park garage.

Still significant budget pressures for the coming years.

20 mph speed limit campaign gathering pace but Devon cc indicates quite large legal costs to implement on any scale and some local resistance.

Teignbridge 6th out of 168 councils in tackling climate change in drive for nett zero.

Still plenty of Tdc jobs available.