



## Cofton Hackett Parish Council

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Members are duly summoned to attend the Meeting of Cofton Hackett Parish Council on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023, at 7:30pm** in Cofton Village Hall, Village Hall Way, B45 8PD

**The meeting is open to all members of the public and the press.**

Residents of Cofton Hackett Civil Parish can address the meeting if required during item 4.

### AGENDA

1. **Apologies:** To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
3. **Dispensations: having declared an interest, members may apply for a dispensation if wishing to stay in the meeting to speak / speak and vote.** The dispensation must be in writing and delivered to the Clerk in advance of the meeting.
4. **Public Forum:** At the discretion of the Chairman members of the public are invited to give their views and/or question the Parish Council on issues on this Agenda or raise issues for future consideration before the start of the Parish Council Meeting.
5. **Reports:** To receive reports from Outside Bodies and/or the County Councillor.
6. **Previous Minutes:** To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and to sign them as a true record.
7. **Chairman's Report: Chairman to report.**
  - 7.1. To agree date for January 2024 meeting – January 22<sup>nd</sup> is proposed - All
8. **Highways, Environment and Open Spaces:**
  - 8.1. Update on installation of speed awareness signs on our major roads – Clerk
  - 8.2. To report on feedback from Solicitors regarding OSW access and rights of Shadow Close residents – Clerk / Cllr Pattison
  - 8.3. To report on Worcestershire Water Management investigation of drainage pipe at rear of The Grove – Cllr Dale / Clerk
  - 8.4. To discuss request for funding to enable water testing at the balancing pond – Cllr Dale / Pattison
  - 8.5. To consider help for funding, in principle, for the play area on the new development – Cllr Pattison
  - 8.6. Street Lighting Report – Clerk
  - 8.7. Lengthsman and Highways Report and tasks list – Clerk / All
  - 8.8. To report on monthly play area inspection – Cllr Pattison
9. **Finance and General Purposes:**
  - 9.1. Status on sale of Mission Hall – Clerk
  - 9.2. To discuss excess funds resulting from sale of Mission Hall – Cllr Pattison / All
  - 9.3. To consider request for further grant towards Cofton Church car park improvements, and request for automatic annual grant to St Michael's Church - All

- 9.4. Update on current budget vs expenditure status – Clerk
- 9.5. **Bills for Payment:** A list of bills has been circulated and will be presented for approval.

**10. Community Services:**

- 10.1. To discuss potential for a PC biodiversity initiative, including possible use of land at the Myhill field site – Cllr Pattison.
- 10.2. Update on future of the Bilberry Centre and meeting with BCC planned for September 19<sup>th</sup> – Cllr Pattison.

**11. Planning:**

- 11.1. To feedback on planning training undertaken in July – Cllrs Chatterley / Webb / Dale
- 11.2. To discuss Baldwin’s Gate planning appeal decision and its ramifications for Neighbourhood plans, including wording of possible letter to MP – Cllr Pattison
- 11.3. To consider responses to planning applications received: (None received to date)
- 11.4. To report on planning applications decided since last meeting – Clerk

**12. Communications:**

**13. Correspondence Received** – Clerk to Report

**14. Items for discussion at next meeting** – All

**15. Date and Time of next Parish Council Meeting:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7.30pm, at Cofton Village Hall.

**16. CONFIDENTIAL item:** Feedback from Clerk’s appraisal – Cllr Pattison / Slack

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12<sup>th</sup> September 2023