

BECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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To: Cllr Paula Fox (Chair), Cllr Clive Winterbourne, Cllr Liz Wright, Cllr Kevin Bishop and Cllr Mark Hollyoake.

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend the Full Council meeting of Beckington Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 12th September 2023 at 7.00pm in the Beckington Memorial Hall, Bath Road, Beckington, Frome BA11 6SH

Paul Russell

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Locum Clerk

Public Participation and County and District Councillors Reports

Prior to the start of the meeting fifteen minutes will be allowed for questions or comments from members of the public. Any resident wishing to address the Council will have about 3 minutes.

Questions may not be answered at the meeting; a written reply maybe be given within 7 days.

Once the meeting has started members of the public are reminded that they have no right to speak.

The District & County Councillors are invited to make a report to the Parish Council in this time as well.

AGENDA

68. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- a. To receive any apologies for absence and reasons:
- b. To resolve if to accept any apologies for absence:

69. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Members to declare any 'Pecuniary' or 'Other' interests under the council's code of conduct. Members are reminded of their responsibility to register their interests with Somerset Council and to keep that register up to date.

70. MINUTES

To formally approve and adopt the minutes of the Beckington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th July 2023 (attached)

71. PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE APPLICATIONS:

To receive an update from Cllr Wright. The following applications will be considered:

- Application 2023/1527/FUL at The Grey Building Stubbs Lane
- Application 2023/1369/FUL at Land at 379803 152200 Bath Road

72. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

To consider the quotation received from a local consultant to provide support to the village to help develop a Neighbourhood Plan and to consider setting up a Steering Group to begin the process. An application for funding also needs to be considered.

73. LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

Somerset Council is commencing a limited update to the adopted Mendip Local Plan Part II (Sites and Policies) Plan. Mendip Council became part of the new Somerset Council on 1st April 2023. The Mendip Local Plan Parts I and II remain in force for the determining Planning applications former Mendip District area.

Following a statutory review (Judicial Review) judgement upheld on 16th December 2022, Mendip Council was subject to a High Court Order to strike out and re-consider five housing sites in the Part II Plan totalling just over 505 dwellings. This obligation has now passed to Somerset Council which has started work to re-assess these and alternative sites across the former Mendip District. The remaining sites and policies in the Mendip Local Plan Part II are not affected by this update.

An update to the Order was made on 14th July 2023 that sets dates by which consultation will take place on proposed housing sites and policies These are:

- A preferred options sites consultation by 31st December 2023 (Regulation 18);
- Publication of proposals by 31st March 2024 (Regulation 19); and
- Submission to the Planning Inspectorate for examination by 1st July 2024.

The Council is currently inviting submissions of suitable sites or confirm/update existing available land already in our records for consideration. This will be used as evidence in the re-assessment. See [Mendip Local Plan Part 2 - Call for sites - Somerset Council - Citizen Space](#). The deadline for this Mendip call for sites survey is Monday 4th September 2023.

The call for sites is only for housing sites in the former Mendip District area and capable of delivery within the Mendip Local Plan Period to 2029. The scope of the review is defined by the High Court and it is not considered the Council will be looking to allocate more than 505 dwellings in this exercise. Existing and application sites may also count towards the 505 total. No changes to the growth targets or the adopted spatial strategy are planned, and the review of site allocations will focus on the towns and primary/secondary villages identified in the Local Plan Part 1.

74. SECTION 106 SUBMISSION

To note that the S106 funding request to support bus shelters and a cycle shelter was submitted. An update will be provided at the meeting. To consider

the quotation from Moss Naylor Young to provide support to help realise this project.

75. SOMERSET BUS TIMETABLES

The bus timetables in Somerset will now only be changed every 6 months. The next change is scheduled for next weekend. The First D2/D2x and Faresaver's X34 services will come through Beckington with the same frequency as currently but most of the individual bus times are being tweaked in order to improve efficiencies and reliability by the bus operators.

76. DEFIBRILLATOR

To consider the request from the Beckington Tennis Association for support to fund a defibrillator at the clubhouse.

77. RESIDENT CONCERNS

To consider the concerns raised by residents of Longmeadow regarding the completion of road, footpath and landscaping at the entrance to the Longmeadow housing development in Beckington.

78. CYCLING AND WALKING LCWIP

To receive an update from Cllr Hollyoake.

79. BECKINGTON CRICKET CLUB

To receive an update from Cllr Winterbourne. Please see the attached Conveyances received for information and the report provided to the Council. (attached)

80. BECKINGTON ALLOTMENTS

To receive an update from Cllr Bishop. A number of points have been raised with the allotment association and a reply is awaited.

81. FINANCIAL MATTERS

To approve the payments outlined below:

Supplier	Service	Net	VAT	Total
Paul Russell	Locum Clerk Services Aug & Sept 23	£1,200.00	£0.00	£1,200.00
J M Fencing	Cutting of grass and hedges on Sue's walk	£320.00	£64.00	£384.00
Fossil Design Ltd	Website	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00
Somerset Council	20mph Zone fee	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
Rode PC	Great Big Week Cont	£55.40	£0.00	£55.40
TOTAL		£2,140.00	£64.00	£2,259.40

To note the budget and financial statement (attached)

82. ADVERTISEMENT FOR NEW PARISH CLERK

To consider advertising for the position of a permanent Parish Clerk.

83. NEXT MEETING

To note that the next meeting of Beckington Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 10th October 2023.