

Blunham Parish Council Meeting

21st September 2023

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of Blunham Parish Council will take place on Thursday 28/09/23 at 7pm at the Village Hall. All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend for the purposes of transacting the following business. Times are approximate and members of the public are welcome to attend. Clerk to the Council – Jo Graves, Tel: 07563 527415 clerk@blunham-pc.gov.uk

Jo Graves

	Item	Requirement	Time
01:09/23	Apologies for Absence	To note apologies.	7.00pm
02:09/23	Declarations of any new Pecuniary Interests	Any new Pecuniary Interests should be declared. They must then be added to the register within 28 days. Existing pecuniary interests already registered do not need to be declared. Members cannot take part in any discussions or vote on matters in which they have a pecuniary interest.	7.00pm
03:09/23	Minutes of previous meetings & review of matters arising from that meeting & previous agreed actions.	To confirm and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of Blunham Parish Council held on Thursday 27 th July 2023. Matters arising from the minutes (for information only)	7.05pm
04:09/23	Public Session	An opportunity for the public to ask the Council questions & make observations about agenda items. There is 15 mins set aside for this agenda item. All questions & comments should be directed to the Chairman. Members of the public are respectfully reminded that this is the only part of the meeting that they can participate in.	7.10pm
05:09/23	Unitary Councillors Report		7.25pm
06:09/23	Highways	See information sheet. To receive Highways Committee report & any other Highways matters that need Full Council consideration.	7.35pm
07:09/23	Maintenance	See information sheet. To receive Maintenance Committee report & any maintenance matters that need Full Council consideration including a) To consider quotations for tree work identified as within 12 months on tree survey, plus additional work required. b) To consider additional cost for monthly maintenance checks at The Pound as requested by CBC following recent work. c) To consider Blunham Schedule and response for the Leisure and Outdoor Space consultation from CBC.	7.40pm
08:09/23	Communications	See information sheet. To receive Communications Committee report & any other communications matters that need Full Council consideration. a) To consider the quotation received from Andy Muskett for the installation and decommissioning of the Christmas Lights display. b) To consider allowing web hosting for Blunham Good Neighbours.	7.50pm
09:09/23	Community Safety	See information sheet. To receive Community Safety Reps report & any other community safety matters that need Full Council consideration	7.55pm
10:09/23	BSSC/Play Area Update	See information sheet. To receive BSSC/Play Area report and any matters that need Full Council consideration. a) To consider the ROSPA report actions, including a working party date for cleaning equipment.	8.00pm
11:09/23	Planning	Planning applications to be considered, plus any other planning matters that need Full Council consideration – no applications have been received. a) Planning Decisions CB/23/02425/LB – Listed Building: Replace two stone sills, reinstate/add air bricks to ventilate floor void. Stonework repair to decorative columns, plinths and capping detail to front door portico canopy – Blunham Court, Station Road, Blunham MK44 3PA – Granted	8.10pm
12:09/23	Neighbourhood Plan	a) To acknowledge notes Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group meetings. b) To approve additional members of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. c) To approve the designation of area form for the Neighbourhood Plan to be sent to CBC. d) To note proposed expenditure in relation to Neighbourhood Plan as per agreed budget.	8.20pm

13:09/23	Reports from Representatives	See information sheet. - To receive any reports from Parish Councillors who represent the Parish Council on other committees. - To receive reports from Councillors who have attended meetings on behalf of the Parish Council. - Village Hall – to consider defibrillator arrangements, including purchase and installation.	8.35pm
14:09/23	Finance Statement	See information sheet. - To approve payments due. - Precept 2023/24 – to acknowledge receipt of the final instalment of the precept from Central Bedfordshire Council in the sum of £25,684. - Half Yearly Finance report – to receive report to 18/09/23. To consider and agree any amendments to budget and reserves if required. - Pre-budget planning - to discuss budget priorities for 2024/2025 - Remembrance Sunday – to consider donation and wreath purchase. - To consider any training requests following e-learning offering from BATPC. - AGAR 2022/2023 - to note receipt of Notice of Conclusion of Audit Received from Mazars. - To note that XL Circondare will be invoicing for the printing of Blunham Matters. - To note that a 2-year contract has been agreed with SSE for the streetlighting electricity supply, payable by direct debit.	8.50pm
15:09/23	Correspondence	See information sheet - Discussion regarding D Day 80 Celebration Guide. - To consider response to CBC Public Space Protection Order consultation. - To endorse the nomination of Cllr Aldis to the BATPC County Committee.	9.10pm
16:09/23	Next Meeting Date	To agree next meeting date Thursday 30 th November 2023	9.15pm

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