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Councillors you are summonsed to a meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 31st October 2023 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room, at West Buckland Village Hall.

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda. *Councillors are reminded of the need to disclose or declare an interest in any of the items to be discussed. Please declare your interest, and leave the room if necessary, when the item is reached.*
3. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 26/09/23 as an accurate record of the meeting.
4. Matters arising from the minutes not covered by the agenda (for information only).
5. Co-option of councillors.
6. Reports
 - a) Somerset Council Report
 - b) LCN Report (Cllr Bellamy). To discuss items below, prioritise and come up with suggestions as to how councils can tackle these to gain positive change.
 - i. Safer walking and cycling routes (including horse riding).
 - ii. Speeding and 20 mile an hour zones.
 - iii, Public and Community transport routes.
 - iv, Highways maintenance and Lengthsman scheme.
 - v, Flooding
 - c) Report from meeting with Chair and Vice-chair of the Village Hall Committee.
7. Democratic Period.
8. Update on broadband issues
9. Planning:
 - a) To consider any planning applications received by the Parish Council prior to the meeting.

46/23/0013. Demolition of lean to the rear with erection of replacement extension at 13 Castle Cottages, Ham, Wellington.

46/23/0016 Change of use and alterations to skittle alley to create 5 No. en-suite rooms for holiday accommodation at The Merry Harriers, Blackdown Hill Road, West Buckland.
 - b) To receive decisions from planning applications determined by Somerset Council. No

decisions received when the agenda was published.

c) To note the public meeting held regarding proposed development on land at Silver Street, West Buckland and any updates.

d) Report from online meeting with Simon Fox, SC Major Projects Officer (Planning) regarding proposed housing development on land north of Taunton Road, Wellington.

e) Any other planning matters

10. To discuss the Housing Needs Survey proposals

11. Highways.

a) To note any required work to be reported to SC.

b) To receive an update on outstanding highways work (Kerb at Dyers Close and drainage in Silver Street).

c) Update on repairs to fingerpost sign on Buckland Hill

d) To discuss with Somerset Councillors the negative response received when fly tipping on Buckland Hill was reported by a member of the public.

f) Any other highways matters

12. Finance:

a) To agree and authorise any payments

b) To note any receipts since the last meeting and the bank account balances

c) To review budget v actual for Qtr 2 2023-24 and consider future spending plans.

13. Playing Field:

a) Any points to note from the regular inspection

b) Update on repairs to self-closing gate

14. Footpaths:

a) Update on problems on Footpath WG14/1

b) Any other footpath matters

15. To discuss borrowing the thermal imaging camera from the BHPN to carry out simple heat loss surveys of parishioners' properties.

16. To note the date of the SALC AGM and to discuss who will attend.

17. Correspondence.

18. Any urgent business at the Chairman's discretion (Not for Decisions).

19. To agree the date of the next meeting. 28th November 2023

Jill Larcombe 27th October 2023