Malvern Wells Parish Council

Councillors are summoned to attend the Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 31st July 2024 at 7:30pm at Malvern Wells Village Hall.

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Clerk, Dr Kate Howe 25th July 2024

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Public participation

Residents are invited to give their views and ask questions on the agenda, or to raise issues for future consideration. Time allowed at discretion of the Chair.

Agenda

1. To receive and consider apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

- a) Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) To declare any **Disclosable** Pecuniary **Interests** in items on the agenda and their nature.
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- d) To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a **Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)**

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or another Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4)(b) of the Code of Conduct, **must leave the room for the relevant items unless a Dispensation has been requested/granted.**

Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

- 3. To **approve minutes** of previous Council meeting 26th June 2024 (circulated).
- 4. To **note matters arising** from above.
- 5. **District and County Councillor reports** if present to **note**.
- 6. Co-option of Members
- a) Council to **note** six vacancies and any update on recruitment of new members.
- 7. Finance
- a) To note Clerk / WCALC advice on Section One AGAR return.
- b) To **note amended** period for the public inspection of the accounts and arrangements, to include an exact 30 working day period during which public rights may be exercised inclusive of the start and finish dates.
- c) To note, consider and **approve** July payments schedule (circulated).
- d) To note, consider and **approve** bank reconciliation to 2.7.24 (circulated).
- e) **To note**, consider and **approve** budget comparison to 2.7.24 (circulated).
- f) To **consider** new Financial Regulations as recommended by Finance & Governance committee (circulated). If agreed **adopt** new policy.
- g) To **consider** draft Internal Controls policy as recommended by Finance & Governance committee (circulated). If agreed **adopt** new policy.
- h) To **consider** draft Reserves Policy, as recommended by Finance & Governance committee (circulated). If agreed **adopt** new policy.
- i) To **consider** ongoing use of reserves (circulated), as recommended by Finance & Governance committee. If agreed **approve**.
- j) To **consider** appropriate action on investment of reserves funds, as recommended by Finance & Governance committee. If agreed **approve**.
- 8. Planning

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- a) To note, consider and **agree** comments on previously circulated and any new applications received between agenda circulation and meeting:
 - M/24/00809/HP Wyndham, Eaton Rd, WR14 4PE extension and alterations to existing dwelling.
 - **M/24**/00827/HP 5 The Crescent, WR14 4JG single storey extension to rear.
 - M/24/00964/HP Orchid House, 19 St. Wulstans Drive, WR14 4JA Single storey extension.
- b) To **note** Planning decisions:
 - M/24/00430/HP Braeside Dower, 2 Wyche Rd, WR14 4EF APPROVED
 - M/24/00185/FUL Mulberry House, 229 Wells Rd, WR14 4HF APPROVED.

10. Cemetery

a) To note any update from Cemetery Committee, consider and approve any actions necessary.

11. Community Events

a) To **note** any update from CEWG, consider any recommendations and if agreed **approve**.

12. Open Spaces

a) To **note** any issues notified in Playground Inspection reports, **approve** any actions required.

13. Working Groups

- a) Defibrillators
- To note, verbal update from Chair. Consider two quotations for painting the telephone box on Hanley Road and accept one of them. If agreed to resolve Clerk to notify contractor selected.
- b) Traffic Calming
- To note update on Traffic Calming project,
 - (1) Worcs. CC confirmed cost for Upper Welland as £1595.80 ex VAT (£1914.96 incl VAT) including utility searches, materials, labour and traffic management for the 2 boundary signs, excluding cost of white gates.
- c) Gas Lamps
- To consider any update from Gas Lamps WG, and costs of gas supply (notified) if agreed approve any
 recommendations.

14. Communications

- a) To **note** update from Communications Working Group on transfer from Namesco to Microsoft.
- b) To note any other relevant updates, consider and approve recommendations agreed.
- 15. **Correspondence** (as notified at meeting / circulated)
- a) To note correspondence with Malvern Hills Trust new CEO.

16. Next meeting

a) To **note** next Council meeting is **Wednesday 25th September** at Malvern Wells Village Hall 7.30pm.

17. Exclusion of the Public and Press

Under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public and press are required to leave the meeting due to the confidential nature of the following item.

a) It is recommended that the Council **resolve** to exclude the public and press.

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18. Finance and Governance

- a) To note verbal report from Chair of Finance & Governance Committee
 - Actions taken on external auditor report.
- b) To consider and if agreed, **approve** recommendation on Ann Dobbins contract.

19. Staffing

- a) To **note** verbal report from Chair Staffing Committee
- Consider and if agreed, approve temporary contract for Finance Officer.
- Consider Chair advice on Clerk time in lieu, if agreed, approve.