



Dear Councillors David Mack, Ian McGregor, Neill Mison, Leigh Rixon, Kimberley Shepherd, Jim Weale, and Mollie Weale,

You are summoned to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Monday 19th February, commencing at 7 pm. This meeting will be held in the small hall of Fernwood Village Hall, Rubys Avenue, Fernwood, NG24 3RS.

Members of the public and press are entitled to be at the following meeting Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960 Section 1 extended by the Local Government Act 1972 Section 100 unless precluded by the Parish Council by resolution during whole or part of the proceedings. Such entitlement does not, however, include the right to speak on any matter except at the beginning of the meeting.

Darryl Flinders – Acting Parish Clerk & RFO, Wednesday 13th February, 2024

A G E N D A

- 224.** Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting – Note **The Clerk will record the meeting for notetaking and minute production accuracy.**
- 225.** Apologies for absence
- 226.** Declarations of interest
- 227.** Public Open Forum (15 minute session) - ***Fernwood Parish Council is committed to community engagement and, therefore, warmly invites members of the public to contribute during this part of the meeting. It should be noted that in accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Orders, the maximum time permitted for contributions is 5 minutes per item. Unless permitted to do so by The Chair, only matters on the agenda (business to be conducted) can be discussed during this forum.***
- 228.** Approval of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th January 2024
- 229.** Councillors' & Clerk's reports
- 230.** District Councillors' reports
- 231.** Finance
- a. Bank reconciliations up to December 31st 2023, to be noted
 - b. Items of income to be noted
 - c. Expenditure since last meeting under delegated powers/previously agreed expenditure to be noted
 - d. Approval of invoices due for payment
 - e. Approval of expenses
 - f. Items of expenditure for consideration
- 232.** Council Precept setting
The parish council are required to submit their precept request form to the Charging Authority (NSDC) by the end of February 2024. The council has considered its financial position together with budgeted income and expenditure projections and needs to set its precept requirements for 2024/25 via a resolution.
- 233.** Planning
- a. To consider the following applications: **None Received**

- 234.** Cllr Mack has proposed that the council allocate time (up to 10 minutes) for Matt Ridyard from Suthers School to give a presentation on their request for funding for a new AstroTurf multi-use pitch and to consider their request for funding.
- 235.** Correspondence
- i) Email/letter from a member of the public regarding land ownership, Firstport, open spaces, precept and expressing personal views on various matters.
 - ii) Letter received from the Chair of Fernwood Central Residents Association regarding open spaces, land ownership and expressing a desire to work closely with the council
- 236.** Cllr Mison is asking the council to note the recent correspondence from the new Chairman of FCRA and agree that Cllr Mison (Chair) and The Clerk meet the Chairman for discussions about a working relationship between the council and the FCRA and areas of shared interest
- 237.** **During the meeting the council may wish to consider the following - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC – PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**
- To consider if any of the following items ITEM 238 & 239 should be considered in a confidential session and, if required, to pass a resolution stating the reasons for exclusion in the following terms:
- That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of specified items as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*
- 238.** Cllr Mison is asking the council to consider legal advice recently provided
- 239.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to note the update from the playpark working group and to discuss and agree to recommendations.