

# Dear Councillors David Mack, 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 17th June, 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 – Parish Clerk & RFO, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

## AGENDA

- **287.** Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting Note **The Clerk will record the meeting for notetaking and minute production accuracy.**
- 288. Apologies for absence
- 289. Declarations of interest
- 290. 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 can be discussed during this forum.
- 291. Approval of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th May 2024
- 292. Councillors' & Clerk's reports

#### 293. District Councillors' reports

#### 294. Finance

- a. Bank reconciliations up to May 31st 2024, 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
- g. Update received from NSDC regarding CIL funds and the required 'Spend By' dates

#### 295. Planning

a. To consider the following applications: None Received

### 296. Casual Vacancy

A Casual Vacancy Notice was published online and displayed on the Parish Council's noticeboards announcing the resignation of Cllr Ian McGregor and that a vacancy now exists within the council and inviting the electorate to call an election. As NSDC Electoral Services did not receive the minimum required number of letters, calling for an election by the published deadline, the Parish Clerk has now been advised that the Parish Council are able to fill the vacancy by co-option.

The Council should now consider and decide how and when they wish to start the co-option process.

- **297.** Cllr Mack has proposed that the council consider costs for the replacement of bird feeders at the bird hide and to provide maintenance to the bird hide. To request an estimate from FirstPort to be considered at the July meeting.
- **298.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to agree to a maintenance inspection of the Solar PV system as recommended by the Village Hall Management Group at the meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 (quotes for work provided).
- **299.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to agree to purchase outdoor Festoon Lights for the Village Hall Garden/Pergola and agree to a budget of up to £1000 to allow this.
- **300.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to purchase 10 round tables for events at the Village Hall and agree to a budget of up to £2000 to allow this.
- **301.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to review the 2023/24 strategy for the year ahead.
- **302.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to agree to purchase commercial-grade gazebos for Summer and Christmas events, markets and village hall events. A budget of up to £10,000 (CIL) is requested for additional and replacement gazebos as a number of the council's old structures are damaged (broken, torn, mouldy).
- **303.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to agree to a free hall hire for a charity event organised by One Stop on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August, during the day.
- **304.** Cllr Shepherd is asking the council to agree to use CIL funding to purchase event lighting for the summer and other events. Quotes to be obtained for suitable tripod-based floodlighting and interconnecting power cables. A maximum budget could be agreed if required.
- 305. Correspondence

A member of the public made an enquiry regarding the availability of allotments