DODFORD WITH GRAFTON PARISH COUNCIL (BROMSGROVE DISTRICT)

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21 February 2024

Dear Parish Councillor

You are summoned to attend the Council meeting to be held on Monday 26 February 2024 starting at 7.30pm in the main hall in Dodford Village Hall, Priory Road. An agenda is set out below.

Yours sincerely

Kay Stone

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies Council to receive apologies and approve the reason for absence
- 2. **Declarations and Register of Interests** Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests and to declare:
 - i. any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) on the agenda and their nature;
 - ii. any Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) on the agenda and their nature

(Councillors who have declared a DPI or an ODI which falls within the terms of paragraph 12 (4) (b) of the Code of Conduct must leave the room for the relevant items. Failure to register or declare a DPI may result in the commission of a criminal offence.)

3. **Dispensations**

To approve any dispensations from Parish Councillors who may have a DPI or ODI to allow them to stay / speak / vote in the meeting during consideration of the item

The meeting will be adjourned for public question time

The time allocated is at the discretion of the Chair. Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this Agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chair. Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself. This period is not part of the formal meeting; brief notes will be included in the minutes as an aide memoire.

4. Meetings

- i. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22 January 2024
- ii. To consider format and speakers for Annual Parish Meeting on 20 May 2024

5. Reports – for information:

- i. County Councillor's report
- ii. District Councillor's report
- iii. Social Media report
- iv. Clerk's report on items not otherwise on agenda

6. Planning

- i. To note any planning decisions received
- ii. To consider any planning appeals or appeal decisions received
- iii. Enforcement/Environmental issues and update on current enforcements
- iv. To discuss issues raised at January meeting:
 - a. Removal of chimneys at Dodford Inn not in line with planning approval for 19/00685
 - b. Electric vehicle recharging points as referred to in planning approval 23/00051

- c. A new building called The Courtyard in Yarnold Lane
- d. Concrete to the side of Sumach and around the barns.
- e. Containers at Sumach
- v. Any planning issues for information

7. Memorial Garden

- i. To discuss guotes received for a Chartist Information Board
- ii. To discuss a request for money not being used on the Memorial Garden to be put towards maintenance of the Church and Village Hall

8. Highways and footpaths

- i. Cockshutt Hill traffic issues
- ii. Cllr Kit Taylor to update on contacting Bromsgrove District Council (BDC) Planning on vehicles stored on land below Chennai Restaurant on Kidderminster Road as reported at the November meeting
- iii. Cllr Kit Taylor to update on contacting BDC Planning on the encroachment of woodland and blocking of stream in Yarnold Lane as reported at the November meeting
- iv. Cllr Shirley Webb to update on contacting Worcestershire County Council (WCC) Countryside Team and North Worcestershire Water Management (NWWM) on the encroachment of woodland and blocking of stream in Yarnold Lane as reported at the November meeting
- v. Cllr Shirley Webb to update on bridge on Church Road
- vi. Cllr Shirley Webb to update on island at top of Alfreds Well
- vii. To update on bin request in the Church grounds
- viii. To update on applications for Footpath Warden
- ix. To update and discuss any footpath / bridleway issues
- 9. Worcestershire Green Infrastructure Strategy 2023-28 publication

To acknowledge publication of this document

10. Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service

To discuss Resource Review consultation documentation and to consider a response by 4 March 2024 (information circulated to Parish Councillors prior to the meeting)

11. First Aid Courses

To update on costings and to discuss next steps

12. Dodford Village Hall

- i. To update on issues or questions already raised
- ii. To consider raising any issues or questions to be discussed at the next Dodford Village Hall Committee meeting

13. Finance

To approve payments for February 2024

14. Correspondence received – for information To note correspondence received since the last meeting and any items for a future agenda

15. Councillor's items

Councillors to report items of information and to raise items for a future agenda

Meeting to be closed to the public for the Parish Council to discuss the response received from Worcestershire Regulatory Services with regards a potential dispute