

**DODFORD WITH GRAFTON PARISH COUNCIL
(BROMSGROVE DISTRICT)**

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**Dodford with Grafton Parish Council Meeting to be held on
Monday 17 March 2023 starting at 7.30pm
in Dodford Village Hall (large hall), Priory Road, Dodford**

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 Parish Council meeting held on 20 March 2023
 - ii. To update on speakers for the Annual Parish Meeting on 24 April 2023 and discuss refreshment arrangements
 - iii. To consider seeking other venues to hold Parish Council meetings
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 consider planning application consultation:
23/00229/FUL – Unit 5B, Woodside Farm, Woodland Road – Retrospective application for a biomass boiler
 - ii. To note any planning decisions received
 - iii. To consider any planning appeals or appeal decisions received
 - iv. Enforcement/Environmental issues and update on current enforcements
 - a. Report on Chair and Clerk's meeting with Bromsgrove District Council Head of Planning, Ruth Bamford
 - v. Any planning issues – for information

7. **Memorial Garden**
 - i. To discuss quotes for future maintenance of hedge
 - ii. To update on history board information
 - iii. To discuss costings for bound resin path, shrubs, and benches
 - iv. To discuss sponsorship and volunteering
8. **Highways and footpaths**
 - i. To update and discuss any footpath / bridleway issues
 - ii. To discuss village name signs pro forma and consider the expenditure
 - iii. To update on bin request at the Church
 - iv. To update on damaged triangle on Whinfield Road
9. **Lengthsman Scheme 2023/2024**
 - i. To agree and sign the Contract with Worcestershire County Council
 - ii. To agree and sign the Contract with the Lengthsman
10. **Grants**
 - i. To discuss grant request from Dodford Children's Farm
 - ii. To update on any further information from Dodford PCC
 - iii. To update on any further information from Dodford Village Hall
11. **Training**

To update on any response from BDC to a request for Diversity and Ethnicity training
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. **Annual Report**

To agree wording of Annual Report (draft circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting)
14. **Local Elections**

To note the Notice of Uncontested Election and the Election of Councillors on 4 May 2023
15. **Bromsgrove District Council Corporate Peer Challenge**

To note receipt of full report
16. **Finance**
 - i. To approve and sign the external Auditor's Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2022/23 Part 2
 - ii. To present the final quarter reconciliation as at end of March 2023
 - iii. To agree payments for April 2023
17. **Correspondence received – for information**

To note correspondence received since the last meeting and any items for a future agenda
18. **Councillor's items**

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