

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

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**Dodford with Grafton Parish Council Meeting to be held on
Monday 23 October 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 the Parish Council meeting held on 3 July 2023
 - ii. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Extraordinary meeting held on 12 July 2023
 - iii. To confirm 2024 Parish Council meeting dates
5. **Reports – for information:**
 - i. County Councillor's report
 - ii. District Councillor's report
 - iii. Report on CALC Area meeting held on 13 September 2023
 - iv. Social Media report
 - v. Clerk's report on items not otherwise on agenda
6. **Planning**
 - i. **To consider planning application consultation:**
23/00989/FUL – Fockbury Mill Farm, Fockbury Mill Lane, Dodford – New storage building on land at Fockbury Mill Farmhouse (Retrospective)
 - ii. To approve the minutes of the planning committee meeting held on
 - a. 3 August 2023
 - b. 17 August 2023
 - c. 11 September 2023
 - d. 2 October 2023

- iii. To note any planning decisions received
 - iv. To consider any planning appeals or appeal decisions received
 - v. Enforcement/Environmental issues and update on current enforcements
 - vi. Any planning issues – for information
7. **Memorial Garden**
- i. To update on whether the hedge can be cut from one direction only
 - ii. To update on request for wooden posts from Worcestershire County Council
 - iii. To discuss next steps in simplifying the garden with the working party
 - iv. To discuss the request for a bench with a plaque
 - v. To discuss sponsorship and volunteering
8. **Highways and footpaths**
- i. To update and discuss any footpath / bridleway issues
 - ii. To update on bin request in the Church grounds
 - iii. To discuss a project for County Cllr Shirley Webb's grant for village signs to request permission to divert the money
 - iv. To discuss complaints about overgrown hedges and footpath in Priory Road
9. **Grants**
- i. To update on any further information from Dodford PCC
 - ii. To discuss the grant request from Dodford Village Hall (documents sent to Councillors prior to the meeting)
10. **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
11. **Training**
- To update on any response from BDC to a request for Diversity and Ethnicity training
12. **Review of Bromsgrove Polling Districts and Polling Places 2023**
- To discuss, review and submit comments
13. **Finance**
- i. To present the first quarter reconciliation as at end of June 2023
 - ii. To present the second quarter reconciliation as at end of September 2023
 - iii. Update on the Clerk's usage of telephone and internet
 - iv. To acknowledge payments for August 2023
 - v. To acknowledge payments for September 2023
 - vi. To approve payments for October 2023
 - vii. To approve Diane Malley as Internal Auditor for the 2023/2024 Audit
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