Monthly Meeting of Grimley Parish Council

Monday 17th July 2023 7.30pm Peace Hall, Sinton Green

Councillors, Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of Grimley Parish Council will be held on **Monday 17th July 2023 at 7.30pm** at the **Peace Hall, Sinton Green.** Your attendance at the meeting is requested. The press and public are also cordially invited to attend to observe proceedings. Lisa Stevens, Parish Clerk and RFO, clerkgrimleypc@gmail.com 07950256363.

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- The press and public are invited to attend to address Councillors on matters concerning the Parish (allotted point in the agenda), observe or inspect draft documents.
- Whilst social distancing is no longer in place, occasionally safety considerations may mean that we close the meeting and reschedule.
- The Register of Electors may be inspected in order to ascertain attendee residency.
- Names are recorded in the meeting minutes, unless individuals ask for this not to occur.
- With some restrictions, meetings may be filmed or recorded. We are happy to provide guidance on what is permitted. Advice should be sought in advance to avoid disruption.
- Persons attending this meeting can prior note the document 'Information provided at the beginning of each parish council meeting' (QR code to the right).



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Welcome, points of order, to consider any apologies for absence and declarations of interest APOLS: AS & AC

- $a. \quad \text{To note updates received to Register of Interests/dispensations. Cllrs are reminded to update their register of interests.}\\$
- b. To declare Disclosable Pecuniary Interests relevant to agenda. Cllrs who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest/ other Disclosable Interest (para 12(4)(b) Code of Conduct) must leave for the relevant items only, unless a dispensation has been granted.
- c. To declare any Other Disclosable Interests relevant to the agenda.
- d. To declare any additions to the Register of Gifts & Hospitality.
- e. To consider written requests for the granting of a Dispensation (S33 Localism Act 2011). Motion to approve requests.
- 1b **Public Open Forum.** Please refer to 'information provided at beginning of meeting' for further guidance.

Including project update from Worcestershire Wildlife Trust

- 2 | **Minutes of previous meetings** Motion to approve previous minutes.
 - a. 15th May 2023 Annual Meeting of Grimley Parish Council as amended.
 - b. 12th June 2023 monthly meeting of Grimley Parish Council.

3a | To receive the report of the County Councillor - Scott Richardson Brown

- Allotment provision exploration to note concerns received from Hallow Parish Council in respect of 'weakening' (Clerk's term) the settlement boundary and Hallow neighbourhood plan. Formal request to Smaller Charities appropriate?
- Church Farm Grimley village flood control works update and to note concerns from residents. Thanks to resident famer for cooperation and interest. Clerk has arranged for gullies to be jetted in the meantime.
- Enforcement Ref: M/ENF/23/0149. The Bumbles Grimley Worcester WR2 6LT. Alleged breach of planning control. Highways have inspected Pencroft works and begun enforcement for keeping roads clear of mud. Additional signage installed. Update ref newts?
- Update on resident request for contribution from divisional grant towards felling of 3 dangerous trees within St Bartholomew's Churchyard, Grimley.
- Reinvigorate 2022 project for 'shared space' signs Camp Lane, Grimley.

3b To receive the report of the District Councillor - Dean Clarke.

(Items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting)

- Parish Cllr concern welfare relating to Camp Lane caravans and lack of amenities.

4 Infrastructure, services, highway matters, drainage and flooding

Updates & formulate Motions not requiring written notice. Highways (roads/pavements) & byways (bridleways/footpaths).

- Public rights of way and footpaths reported issues: 1) Blocked right of way at Moseley WCC and MHDC inspecting. 2) Lost footpath in front of Camp Inn and need to redraw official route. 3) Broken finger post Riverdale.
- b Dark Lane request for passing places to be reinstated has been turned down by WCC.
- Potholes: 1) Camp lane opp Retreat farm reported and Highways have confirmed they will repair. 2) Centre of road pothole adjacent to Old Vicarage/top triangle Grimley reported.

 3) Dark lane vergeside potholes missed during recent surface dressing (no remedial action to be undertaken by WCC who have inspected)
- d Missing Smartwater sign Worlds End reported to police and replacement being arranged.
- In response to resident concerns, WCC have confirmed that parked cars outside Sinton Court are not enforceable as no parking restrictions in that area.
- f Cllr Woodhouse update on efforts to obtain exploratory quotation (no PC decision made as yet) on overgrown hedges and pathways: top triangle and along A443 as far as the layby. WCC have confirmed that they will not intervene or assist in this matter.
- Vehicle activated speed signs (VAS) for Moseley (stinky) corner and Sinton Green (route from Worlds End towards Birchall Green, alongside bus shelter section). Update on quotations.
- 5 | **Planning** to consider, comment and resolve to respond to the following applications.
- a Solar farm preliminary screening application in Hallow parish. https://plan.malvernhills.gov.uk/Planning/Display/M/23/00707/SCR
- b **Enforcement Ref: M/ENF/23/0149**. The Bumbles Grimley Worcester WR2 6LT. Alleged breach of planning control. If not already covered in county council report.
- Standing Item: To consider and as required arrange an extra ordinary parish council meeting for planning applications received after date of publication of this agenda.

 Including Birchall Green Solar farm appeal if forthcoming.

MHDC notes: "A few weeks ago MHDC received notification from the applicant that they were appealing the decision. We await further information whether this is a hearing or inquiry, and a start date to be announced. PINS have yet to confirm".

6 **Commons and Village Greens -** Updates and formulate Motions not requiring written notice.

Monkwood Green Common and SSSI

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- Mowing urgent intervention may be required. (Plus annual decision for fire break)
- Moth survey results and thanks to residents for hosting.
- Tree survey publication CB dedicated to DS. To formal receive quotation 100 copies A5 at £378 (no VAT as a book) plus insert folders. Decision as to recipients.
- To note that Bill Prosser has been approached for exploratory quotation ditch clearance from Green Farm to The Woodlands in anticipation of next phase management plan.
- Update if not already covered in relation to Worcestershire Wildlife Trust for Green Farm nature reserve new water supply including:
 - Application for a new water supply with Severn Trent WWT organise and pay. Underway already.
 - SSSI consent to Natural England for the necessary work across the common GPC to request as owners of the SSSI. WWT have offered to fill out the SSSI consent form.
 - A legal easement between WWT and GPC for the section of new pipeline that crosses the common. WWT would prepare the paperwork & solicitor Reserves Team Leader, Rob Allen would organise.
 - Project update purchase of 2 x strimming equipment (5year management plan)
 - Ragwort on the Common. Residents have already arranged removal per NE instructs.
 - Dog mess near the phone box Monkwood Green.

Sinton Green village green

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- New Inn works. Nil formal correspondence from residents. Ditch bollards required?
- ii Bus shelter condition and plan for tidy up.
- To note that Bill Prosser has been approached with regard to exploratory iii quotation for ditch clearance for the village green. (No decision made as yet) as part of previously approved timetable (roughly a five year routine).
- To plan inspection of pond and next dredging of this flood control sump. İν
 - To note that the lengthsman assisted with visibility splay clearance on the Monkwood to Sinton Road in response to recent near miss.

7 **Reports from Projects -** Updates and formulate Motions not requiring written notice.

- Climate crisis working party REACT update. а
- Memorial benches and trees (WCC grant and resident cost covered). To be located at St b
- Bartholomew's Churchyard and Grimley lower triangle. С
- d Memorial bench (funded by relative). To be located at Monkwood Green main pond.
- е Repair of existing memorial bench at Peace Hall.
- f Report from Peace Hall including Cllr Woodhouse liaison with Peace Hall ref Hall noticeboard.
- 8 **Finance and Administration** - To discuss updates and formulate Motions not requiring written notice.
- To consider and **motion** to approve the payment of outstanding accounts. Appendix 1 а
- b To consider and retrospectively approve payment of urgent accounts, as per emergency
- С Clerk procedures (Delegation to Clerk policy).
- To receive and **motion** to accept latest Bank Reconciliation 2023. d
- Signature on Civility and Respect certificate. e
- To note no PC meeting in August and confirmation of delegation to clerk policy which f permits reasonable payment of invoices during that period.

9 AOB, correspondence, dates for diary, items for future agenda.

- а Nora Parsons AGM invite: 19th July at 7 pm.
- b Councillor training dates.
- С Broken knee rail on road from Worlds End to Sinton Green - Cllr inspection required?
- d Raceway entrance Dark lane – District Cllr opinion?
- e To note residents have cared for the verge behind pond MWGreen as usual with thanks. f
 - Items to add back to agenda when any update is available or when time permits:
 - Direct debit Monkwood Green trough meter readings.

10 **Date of next scheduled meetings:**

The press and public are cordially invited to attend these meetings and should note Standing Orders in advance please. No meeting in August.

Monday 25th September, 7.30pm

Monday 23rd October, 7.30pm

Monday 27th November, 7.30pm

Appendix 1 - Payments planned.

Monthly clerk wage (£553.42.).

Clerk pension contribution (£23.06 plus clerk contribution).

Monthly Clerk expenses for printing and stationery. (Not more than £50)

Lengthsman invoice (Not more than £400).

Mowing Sinton Green (Not more than three events of £80).

Monkwood Green Trough Water bill (awaiting, normal £75).

St Bartholomew's Room Hire annual payment £50.

Tree survey publication (Not more than £400).

P. Moore Internal Audit fee (£5).

Cllr training fee to WCALC (£30 per person).

Information Commissioners annual data protection fee (£40)