

SOMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notice of a PARISH COUNCIL meeting to be held on Tuesday 5th
September 2023 at The Village Hall, Cottage Road, Somerton at
7.00pm.

Dear Councillor,

31 August 2023

Your attendance is required at a **meeting of the Parish Council** to be held on Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 7.00pm in The Village Hall, Cottage Road, Somerton. Members of the press and public are cordially invited.

Nicola Ledain

Nicola Ledain, Clerk to Somerton Parish Council

AGENDA

1 Apologies

To consider and approve apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interest

You have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a matter to be discussed if it relates to something on your Register of Interest Interests form. You must declare the interest and leave the room while the matter is dealt with. When declaring an interest, you must say why the interest arises, to be included in the minutes.

You have a Personal Interest in a matter to be discussed if it affects: 1) Your wellbeing or financial position, 2) That of your family or close friends, 3) That of a club or society in which you have a management role, 4) That of another public body of which you are a member to a greater extent than others in your Parish. You must declare a personal interest but can speak and vote on the matter.

3 Public Speaking

County Councillor, District Councillors, Police Representative and public.

Members of the public are invited to address the Council on matters on the Agenda only in accordance with Standing Orders.

4 Minutes from Previous Meeting

To receive and approve the Council minutes dated 31 July 2023.

5 Matters for reporting from previous meetings

5.1 New clerk inducted and handover completed. Records disposal being looked into, AGAR completed and Viking account deemed not necessary

5.2 Barclays bank change of mandate is being processed with forms needing to be signed.

5.3 Update regarding footpaths

5.4 Community Fund Policy

5.5 No through road sign update.

5.6 Update regarding 20mph zone

5.7 To receive an update regarding the bus shelters.

5.8 Update on dog waste bins

5.9 Update on Flegg Community Land Trust

5.10 Councillor training agreed for Monday 3 October at 6.30 at the Village Hall and Monday 9 October via zoom at a cost of £180 plus travel costs.

5.11 Update from Benjamin Grapes re trails

6 Planning

None received at the time of agenda being published.

7 Matters for consideration

- 7.1 To consider and agree if the Parish Council should reduce the number of meetings from 6 to the statutory minimum of 4.
- 7.2 To agree to advertise for a fourth trustee for the Somerton Staithe and Boat Dyke Trust.
- 7.3 Broken Bench on the north bank of the boat dyke –
To consider the call for donations, or expressions of interest in donations, to replace the broken bench on the north bank of the boat dyke. No quotes had been received for the work.
- 7.4 Litter pick to be arranged for end of September.

8 Financial Matters

- 8.1 To agree payments:
 - 9.1.1 Nicola Ledain – clerk salary amount TBC
 - 9.1.2 Mr Balls – internal audit: £30
- 8.2 Update on the Interest bearing account

9 Highways Matters

- 9.1 None at present

10 Other Matters

- 10.1 None

11 Correspondence

- 11.1 Email regarding the grass cutting for the churchyard which will be due to be paid in November.
- 11.2 Email from parishioner regarding the Somerton Lion pub signs.
- 11.3 Parishioner mentioned overgrown hedge next to footpath.
- 11.4 To consider the ongoing issue regarding the pothole causing damage to tyres.
- 11.5 Email from former clerk regarding an official complaint against the Council suggesting administration and procedural errors relating to the timely provision of her P45 and payslip.

12 To Receive Items for the Next Agenda

13 Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 26th September 2023 – extraordinary meeting

Tuesday 7th November 2023 – ordinary meeting