



West Monkton Parish Council

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20<sup>th</sup> November 2024

I hereby give notice that the meeting of West Monkton Parish Council will be held at Brittons Ash Community Hall on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7pm.**

Members of the public are encouraged and welcomed to attend this meeting either in person or virtually. To join the meeting virtually please use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82572891000>

Members of the public and press are entitled to be at the following meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960 Section 1 extended by Local Government Act 1972 Section 100 unless the Parish Council by resolution/s enters confidential session, when the public are lawfully excluded.

Public question time at this meeting will be held about 7.20pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Amy Shepherd  
Clerk to the Parish Council

### AGENDA

- 1) To receive any apologies (with reasons), introductions with responsibilities.
- 2) To note:
  - a) Declarations of Interest
  - b) Dispensation Requests
  - c) Amendments to the Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
- 3) To adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 **(R)**

*Meeting will be adjourned*

### Public Question Time

*Members of the public are invited to ask questions and raise issues, but please note, this is not a discussion forum.*

*Please make your wish to speak known to the Chairman or the Clerks before the start of the meeting. When called, please give your name. You have three minutes in which to speak.*

*Meeting will reconvene*

- 4) Projects
  - a) Poppy of Honour fundraising update; Fundraising Working Group members, Poppy of Honour bricks / pathway proposal.
  - b) Sports Pitches update; presentation on pump track.
  - c) MH1 POS; transfer document update / approval **(R)**
  - d) MH2 Update; feedback from catch up meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> November
  - e) Multi-agency approach to flood prevention update
- 5) Planning
  - a) To consider any planning applications (listed on Somerset Council website) **(R)**  
48/24/0051/T – Application to fell one ash tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (West Monkton No.3) Tree Preservation Order 1998 at 40 Acacia Gardens, Bathpool, Taunton (TD777)
  - b) To note that Planning decisions made are available on Somerset Council website filed under the application number
- 6) Consultations
  - a) Remote meetings  
Enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings: [https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-at-local-authority-meetings?utm\\_campaign=Chief%2Bexecutive%2527s%2Bbulletin%2B-%2B25%2BOctober%2B2024%2B%2528Special%2Bedition%2529&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-remote-attendance-and-proxy-voting-at-local-authority-meetings?utm_campaign=Chief%2Bexecutive%2527s%2Bbulletin%2B-%2B25%2BOctober%2B2024%2B%2528Special%2Bedition%2529&utm_medium=email) Closing date 19<sup>th</sup> December
  - b) Divisional boundaries consultation  
Division Boundaries for Somerset Council: <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/somerset> Closing date 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025
  - c) Somerset Local Plan  
Somerset Local Plan: City Town and Parish Councils Engagement Activity 1  
<https://somersetcouncil.citizenspace.com/planning/bf1957bd> (Closing date 30<sup>th</sup> November)

- d) Somerset Council – Somerset Validation Consultation <https://somersetcouncil.citizenspace.com/planning/local-validation-checklist-consultation> (Closing date 10th January 2025)

7) Assets

- a) Country Park and Somerset Wood;
  - (i) General update; Review and provide feedback on draft governance structure
  - (ii) Lottery Project Progress Report
- b) BACH update;
- c) Community Fridge update;
- d) Community Garden update;

8) Environment:

- a) Bridgwater Road (from ATS garage to bus gate) tidy up quotation

9) Community:

- a) Update.
- b) Christmas Trailer plans and arrangements.
- c) Community Christmas Trees.
- d) Volunteer Festive Evening update.
- e) Community Review Survey update.

10) Highways

- a) Horse warning signs; update and consider making a contribution (R)
- b) Monkton Heathfield Road Traffic Calming update
- c) SRA funding – discuss making an application for grant funding

11) Other matters for report only – items for discussion - no decision

- a) Items for next meeting agenda - by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024
- b) Dates to note over the next 14 days

12) Dates of forthcoming meetings:

**Parish Council:**

**Second Tuesday** in the month (Business focused meeting)

2024: 10th Dec.

2025: 14th Jan, 11th Feb, 11th Mar, 8th Apr, 13th May, 10th Jun, 8th Jul, 12th Aug, 9th Sept, 14th Oct, 11th Nov, 9th Dec.

**Fourth Tuesday** in the month (Community / project focused meeting)

2025: 28th Jan, 25th Feb, 22nd Apr, 27th May, 24th Jun, 22nd Jul, 23rd Sept, 28th Oct, 25th Nov.

**Audit Working Party:** 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 9.30am.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 7pm

**BACH Committee** 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7.30pm

**Budget and Precept Working Group:** 19<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm

**Sports Pitch Committee** TBC

**Somerset Wood Joint Committee** TBC

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

(R) = Resolution to be considered / required.