

AGENDA

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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To all Members of Godshill Parish Council

You are summoned to the Ordinary Meeting of Godshill Parish Council on Tuesday 12th December at 7.30 pm. This meeting will be held at Godshill Village Hall, Woodgreen Road, Godshill for the purpose of transacting the following business.



**Bev Cornish CertHE, PSLCC
Parish Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer
6th December 2023**

Please **do not** attend if you have any recognised Covid-19 symptoms.

The Chairman will confirm that the meeting will be audio recorded by the Clerk and that it may be filmed, photographed or audio recorded by members of the public. If any member of the public present at the meeting objects, please inform the Chairman or the Parish Clerk before the start of the meeting.

Godshill Parish Council operates under the 'General Power of Competence' which gives eligible councils "the power to do anything that individuals generally may do" as long as they do not break other laws. Being eligible, the Council adopted the General Power of Competence in May 2023 Minute 08.23 as defined by the Localism Act 2011 s1(1) and s8 and defined further in statutory instrument Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Joshua Goodchild, Community Engagement Manager for Wessex Internet, will give a brief presentation on bringing fibre to the premises to Godshill.

Litter Warden - To receive a short verbal report from Mrs Sara Boyd.

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Part 1

89.23 Public Question Time

A public session which, at the Chairman's discretion may last up to 15 minutes, to enable members of the public to ask questions of and make comment to the Council. Members of the public are asked to restrict their comments and/or questions to three minutes.

90.23 Business Raised During Public Question Time

To resolve to refer any business raised by the public in public discussion, and any other matters or items of information from councillors, to a future meeting or to resolve to agree on any other action.

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91.23 Apologies

To receive and consider accepting apologies for absence.

Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting as, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted.

92.23 Declarations of Interest:

a. To receive **Declarations of Interest** in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers.

b. To consider any **Dispensation Requests** received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

93.23 Minutes

To resolve to approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 14th November 2023.

94.23 Clerk's Report

To resolve to note the Clerk's Report providing information on recent issues and work completed.

95.23 North West Quadrant Meeting and Elections

To receive a report from Cllr Fell on a recent meeting of the North West Quadrant of the New Forest National Park and to consider his proposal that the Council writes a letter of complaint to the Electoral Commission about the way in which the Election for the North West Quadrant was conducted by Hampshire Association of Local Councils under the direction of the New Forest National Park Authority.

96.23 Planning Appeal Outcomes for Paysanne

To consider the outcomes of the two Planning Inspectorate appeals for Paysanne and to consider a proposal from Cllr Fell that the Council writes letters of concern both to the Planning Inspectorate and the Chair of the New Forest National Park Authority regarding the non-compliance with planning law and planning policy.

97.23 Dark Skies and Light Pollution

To consider and approve a Parish Council Position Statement on Dark Skies and Light Pollution subject to comments received from the New Forest National Park Authority and the Cranborne Chase National Landscape Dark Sky Adviser.

98.23 Finance and Policy:

a. Payments

To approve the following payments:

£75.00 - NFDC - Uncontested Election Fee

£57.60 - Ionos - Website hosting September-November

b. **Budget 2024/25 - To consider and resolve to approve the draft 3-year budget submitted by the Clerk.**

c. **Precept 2024/25 - To resolve to agree a precept demand for submission to New Forest District Council.**

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- d. To consider and resolve to approve the Earmarked Reserves of the Parish Council.
 - e. To give consideration and resolve to agree on the organisations to which a grant may be awarded.
 - f. To resolve to approve the sum of £755.44 as the Accounts for payment for December.
 - g. To resolve to approve the Bank balances - Cheque and Reserve Accounts.
- 99.23 Correspondence**
To resolve to note the correspondence received.
- 100.23 Any Other Business.**
To consider any other business on which no decisions can be taken or suggest agenda items for the next meeting.
- 101.23 Next Meeting**
To confirm the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 9th January 2024 to be held at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
- Part 2 Exempt Matters – Staffing**
- 102.23 The Chair to propose the following resolution – ‘That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they be instructed to withdraw in view of the confidential nature of the business on staffing about to be transacted’.**
- 103.23 National Salary Award**
To consider and resolve to approve the salary award and backdated payments for the Clerk for the period from 1st April 2023 in accordance with the National Association of Local Council’s document EO1-23 entitled ‘National Salary Award 2023/24’ and with her Employment Contract.

Councillors are asked to note that in the exercise of their functions, they must take note of the following: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); Crime & Disorder, Health & safety, and Human Rights.