

BROOMHAUGH & RIDING PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

I hereby give you notice that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held in **Church Cottage**, Church Lane

On Monday 12th February at 7.45 p.m.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out hereunder. Cllr. Dale will be available from 7.15 pm and members of the public may put questions to the Council from 7.30-7.45 pm.

Dated: 7th February 2024

Catherine Harrison, Parish Clerk

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declaration of Interests**
To receive: disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.
3. **Co-option of Councillor**
To resolve: that Ellen Rutherford should be co-opted to serve on the Parish Council.
4. **Minutes**
To resolve: that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 11th December 2023 be signed as a correct record (Paper A).
5. **Matters Arising**
To report: on matters arising from the previous meeting, excluding those included elsewhere on the agenda.
 - (i) *Minute 23/166(iii) – Fencing/netting at the football field.* To be discussed under confidential matters;
 - (ii) *Minute 23/167(iii) – Grit Bin, Sleaford Road.* Installed
 - (iii) *Minute 23/171(b) – S137 Grants.* To note: that the grants have been distributed and thanks have been received from the various organisation;
 - (iv) *Minute 23/175 – Allotment Wall repairs.* Update from the Clerk.
6. **County Councillor Report**
To receive: a report on matters of interest relating to the village.
7. **Neighbourhood Plan**
To note: any developments regarding housing (Cllr. Howe).
8. **Tyne Valley Cycle Superhighway: Riding Mill Options**
To receive for discussion and endorsement, a paper prepared by Cllr. Irwin outlining options for improving routes to Corbridge and Stocksfield for cyclists (and pedestrians) (Paper B).
9. **Website / Possible council name change / New web address and/or site**
To discuss: website updates in particular, the suggestion to move to a gov.uk web address.
10. **Climate Change**
 - (i) To report: that Cllr. Irwin has made an application for funding to the Community Energy Fund. If successful, these funds would be used to look at the feasibility of installing hydro-generation at the existing weir on the Tyne (Cllr. Irwin);
 - (ii) To note: any other issues.
11. **Insurance**
To report: that the insurance cover has been increased for the weir footbridge resulting in an increase to the insurance premium.
12. **Finance**
 - (a) *Monthly accounts* - to receive for approval:
 - (i) a summary of payments for authorisation and the bank reconciliation (Paper Ci);

- (ii) an overall review of current budget spending (Paper Cii)
- (b) To consider: whether to transfer the funds from the Bridge fund into a 1-year investment bond.
- 13. **General Village Maintenance**
 - (i) Handyman. To note: the handyman's work in December and January;
 - (ii) Any other matters.
- 14. **Planning**

Planning applications received by Northumberland County Council

 - (i) To report: that the following new planning application is under consideration:
 - 24/00293/FUL (24/00294/LBC) – 3 Hollin Hill Terrace. Internal works to create an ensuite bathroom. PC – no objection
 - (ii) To report: that the following planning applications have been granted permission:
 - 23/03862/FUL – Woodside, Sandy Bank. Double garage and store;
 - 23/04348/LBC – 2 Hollin Hill Terrace. Roof works;
 - 23/04156/PRUTPO – Hazel Rigg, Millfield Road. Tree works;
 - 23/03964/PRUTPO – 9 Church Close. Tree works.
 - (iii) To report: that the following planning application has been withdrawn:
 - 23/02585/FUL – Land north of Old Tavern House. New build 2-storey house with undercroft parking.
 - (iv) To report: that the appeal to the Planning Inspectorate with regard to the housing development by the Manor House has been dismissed. Update from Cllr. Howe.
- 15. **Meetings to attend**

To note: that the County Council will be holding a Town & Parish Conference on Thursday 14th March at County Hall. Meeting 7 – 8 pm. Marketplace 5 – 7 pm
- 16. **Correspondence**

To consider: any correspondence issues not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
- 17. **Minor Matters**
 - (i) Annual Parish Meeting – to agree on the date of this year's annual Parish Meeting and to consider possible topics to discuss;
 - (ii) Litter Pick – to agree on a date for this year's litter pick;
 - (iii) Community Emergency Plan
 - (iv) Summer Fair
 - (v) Bleed Kits
 - (vi) Maintenance of BT Exchange building
- 18. **Date of Future Meeting**

Monday 11th March.
- 19. **Confidential Matters:** Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following items:
 1. To award the grass cutting contract for 2024-26
 2. To appoint a contractor to undertake repairs to the allotment wall
 2. To discuss issues relating to the sports field.

Correspondence:

Mrs Armstrong, Ash trees on the approach to the station