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# NORTHCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2024 AT 7.00 PM ST MARYS PARISH ROOMS HIGH STREET NORTHCHURCH HP4 3QW

**To Councillors:** 

Michela Capozzi Chair Mark Somervail Vice Chair

Neil Pocock Gordon Godfrey Lara Pringle

Lyndsey Abercromby

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Councillors are respectively summoned to attend this meeting for the transaction of business in the agenda below. The meeting is open to members of the public and the press.

Usha Kilich Proper Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

#### **AGENDA**

## 71/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence

#### 72/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare an interest linked to any item on the agenda

## 73/23 Public Participation is allowed 15 minutes

#### **74/23 MINUTES**

- a. To approve the minutes of
  - i. To approve Full Council Minutes from 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023
- b. Matters arising from previous meetings that are not included as agenda items below

#### 75/23 REPORT FROM BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLORS

To receive a report from Borough/County Councillors

## 76/23 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Dacorum Environmental Forum Minutes can be found here
- b. Update on Train Station Ticket Office Closure & no staff in January and concerns raised, more information can be found here
- c. Results from Herts County Council's Annual Survey of Local Councils 2023 are now in and rescheduled Annual Meeting has for Tuesday 5 March 2024, more information can be found here
- d. Temporary Road Closure Shootersway Berkhamsted from 29th January 2024

#### 77/23 CLERKS REPORT

a. DBC Members News (Council members only)

## 78/23 ROAD SAFETY

- a. To update council members on the Road Safety incident by Cllr Abercromby
- b. Lack of pedestrian access outside new development at 49-53 High Street, Northchurch

#### 79/23 OPEN SPACE

a. Recreation Ground update

## 80/23 ALLOTMENT

**a.** Cllr Capozzi to update on works at the Allotments

## 81/23 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES

- a. Cllr Capozzi proposes to accept the YTD Summary for December 2023
- b. Cllr Capozzi proposes to approve the Precept for 2024/25 at £44k, F&GP members to sign the Precept form.
- c. Cllr Capozzi proposes to approve an additional £360 plus VAT to replace the bent gate post at the Upper Allotment which could not be straightened.
- d. Cllr Capozzi proposes to approve the grant application to NUC for the sum of £600
- e. Cllr Capozzi proposes to discuss and agree a decision on the BU5s grant application
- 82/23 Exclusion of Press and Public: To resolve that under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting, because it is likely that publicity would prejudice the public interest because of the confidential business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution, arising from the nature of the business proceedings.

# 83/23 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

# 84/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 11th March 2024 at 7.00 pm St Mary's Parish Room Northchurch HP4 3QW  $\,$