

BERWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting of Berwick Parish Council on Wednesday 27th November 2024. This meeting starts at 7pm

Signed: *Lynette Kemp*

Dated 21st November 2024

Lynette Kemp (Clerk to Berwick Parish Council)

Please contact the Clerk if you are unable to attend.

The public and press have a right and are welcome to attend. Agenda item 5 is available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda, they are then welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence** – please notify the Clerk prior to the meeting if possible.
2. **Declarations of Interests** - The Chairman will invite Councillors to declare an interest, where applicable, on any of the agenda items. Please also advise of any changes to the Register of Interests.
3. **To agree confidential items on the agenda for the exclusion of the press and members of the public**

The meeting will then be suspended to allow the following:-

4. **To receive reports from:**
County Councillor Report on matters affecting the Parish.
District Councillor Report on matters affecting this Parish.
5. **Public Questions Time** (limited to two questions per member for a maximum of 2 minutes per question).

The meeting will then be re-opened.

6. **Minutes** of the Council Meeting of the Parish Council held on 25th September 2024, for approval.
7. **Clerk's report** on Matters Arising from those Minutes.
8. **Planning**
 - i. **To consider planning applications received from Wealden District Council**
None received
 - ii. **To consider planning applications received from SDNPA**

SDNP/24/04769/HOUS - Comp Barn, Winton Street, Alfriston, East Sussex, BN26 5UL

Alterations to fenestration and landscaping and installation of a woodburning stove

- iii. Any planning applications received between the date of the issue of the agenda and the date of the meeting. Details of planning applications can be found on the Wealden District Council website or the South Downs National Park Authority website.
- iv. To note any decisions made by Wealden District Council or the South Downs National Park Authority since the last meeting.

9. Reports from outside bodies

- a) East Sussex ALC Ltd
- b) Wealden District Association of Local Councils
- c) Village Hall Committee Cllr Burrough
- d) Tree Warden Mr A Carnie
- e) Cuckmere Flood Forum Councillor Winter
- f) Cuckmere Community Bus Councillor Smith
- g) SDNPA Councillor Mills
- h) Parish Cluster Councillor Winter
- i) Working Group Against Overdevelopment Councillor Barham

10. To receive updates on the following:

- a) Defibrillator risk assessment
- b) Playground inspections
- c) Playground upgrade

11. Parish Maintenance

- a) Verges/Hedges
- b) The Berwick Way
- c) The Recreation Ground including adjoining trees
- d) Noticeboard at the Post Office
- e) Urban Grass Cutting programme 2025-26 - to review and agree the grass cutting programme

12. Road Safety Issues

- a) Speedwatch - to consider reintroducing the scheme
- b) Road safety initiatives in neighbouring Parishes

13. Finance

- a) To approve the schedule of payments since the last meeting (25th September 2024)
- b) To approve the bank reconciliations for August, September and October
- c) To approve the accounts to date
- d) To review the draft budget for 2025-26 and agree the precept for the year
- e) To consider increases in hire charges for caravan rallies at the recreation ground
- f) To note the changes to NALC pay scales and back pay
- g) To agree the appointment of the internal auditor

14. Meeting Dates - To agree the meeting dates for the coming year

15. Questions from Councillors

16. Clerk's Contract of Employment

Date of the next meeting: 22nd January 2025