

MILTON ERNEST PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors, I hereby summon you to attend the meeting of MILTON ERNEST PARISH COUNCIL on Thursday, 9th November 2023 commencing at 8:00pm at Milton Ernest Village Hall, Thurleigh Road to consider the following items of business.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WELCOME!

Robbin Brough, Clerk to the Council
5th November 2023

AGENDA

1 **Apologies for Absence**

2 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

3 **Public Open Session**

***During the Public Open Session:** Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicized on the agenda; items not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response at a later date. Any questions not presented to the council far enough in advance of the meeting may be noted and responded to at a later time.*

***After the Public Open Session:** Members of the public are asked to respect the fact that this is a meeting to conduct council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.*

4 **Presentation from Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity**

To discuss the parish council's role in a Milton Ernest Good Neighbour Scheme.

5 **To confirm the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 12th October 2023**

6 **Clerk's report on actions**

- To create a poster to place on social media and website to recruit a new Litter picker. **Complete**
- To arrange a meeting with BBC Senior Planner for Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Working Group.
- To arrange for Christmas tree event flyer to be printed in both A4 and A5 size. A4 flyers to be laminated and placed around the village. A5 flyers to be put in the pub and garden centre.
Complete
- To contact The Christmas Decorators to confirm the date for when the tree will be decorated.
Complete
- To contact BBC Highways to investigate the ownership of Church Green Road. **Complete**

7 **Correspondence received since the last meeting (requiring council attention)**

A resident emailed in relation to the erection of telegraph poles along the A6.

8 **Village playing fields**

- To receive and agree payment of invoices from the Volunteer Team
 - Top soil, grass seed and slide mat £171.98
- To agree the purchase of tools to fix playground equipment
 - Two maintenance keys £60.40

9 **Village welfare**

- To update the council on work carried out by the Volunteer Team in the village
- To provide an update of trees overhanging Parkside
- To consider parish council items for Village Flyer
- To agree where the tulip bulbs will be planted

10 **Village Litter Picker**

To agree a process for interviewing and hiring a Litter Picker.

11 **Christmas tree lighting event**

To confirm the members of the council who will be able to assist at the Christmas tree lighting event.

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12 Reports by Representatives

- To receive a report from the Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Working Group
- East West Rail update
- Milton Ernest Village Hall

13 Planning matters

- To consider any planning applications received since the last meeting – includes any received after the agenda is issued up to the date of the meeting.

APPLICATION NO: 23/02375/LBC Listed Building Consent Application

PROPOSAL: Roof repairs and replacement roof tiles to accommodation block.

LOCATION: Queens Head 1 Rushden Road Milton Ernest Bedford Bedfordshire MK44 1RU

APPLICATION NO: 23/02358/S73A Retrospective planning permission Application

PROPOSAL: Erection of front boundary wall (development already carried out)

LOCATION: 1 Marsh Lane Milton Ernest Bedford Bedfordshire MK44 1RB

APPLICATION No: 23/01139/MAF TYPE: Major Full and Change of Use Application

PROPOSAL: Temporary development of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with ancillary infrastructure, acoustic and security fencing, access, landscaping and biodiversity enhancements, to provide balancing services to the local electricity grid, and associated development.

LOCATION: Land Adjacent to Twinwoods Business Park Thurleigh Road Milton Ernest Bedfordshire

- To note any planning applications decided by the borough council since the last meeting.
No decisions to note.

14 Finance

- To approve payments and note income and balances
- To note the budget variance report
- To agree a date for the Finance Committee to meet to discuss the 2024/2025 budget and initial discussions in setting the precept

15 Borough Councillor Report

To receive a report from Borough Councillor Martin Towler

16 Business for future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)

Date of the next meeting: 8pm 11th January 2024, Milton Ernest Village Hall.