

NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (LGA 1972)

To Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr P Atkins, Cllr S Hulme, Cllr P Massey, Cllr A Vernon, Cllr K Massey.

This NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of Blithfield Parish Council will be held at Admaston Village Hall, School Lane, Admaston WS15 3NH commencing at 7.00 pm on Thursday 11.07.2024 and members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purposes of transacting the following business. The meeting will be open to the public unless the Council otherwise directs. (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

Issued by - *Mrs Fiona Shipley* (Clerk)

Date: 04 July 2024

Agenda

- 24.07.01 To accept Apologies for Absence
- 24.07.02 To accept the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 09.05.2024
- 24.07.03 To receive declarations of Interest by members in respect of items on the agenda
- 24.07.04 Matters arising from the minutes
Litter picking
- 24.07.05 Clerk Update
 - a) CPRE Countryside Day at Blithfield Hall 7 September 2024. Tickets for members of Parish council £15, non-members £25.00
 - b) Mr and Mrs J Ross laid a wreath in Normandy to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D-Day on behalf of the Parish Council.
 - c) ESBC Councillors Forum which was to be held on 19 June 2024, was cancelled due to the general election.
 - d) Staffordshire County Council are working on a proposed local transport plan. They are holding a face to face engagement meeting on 30 June 2024 to which they are looking for representatives from each area.
 - e) Following the electoral review of Staffordshire County Council, Blithfield Parish will remain part of Uttoxeter Rural division.
- 24.07.06 Public Participation. (this will be limited to 20 minutes per standing orders and 5 minutes per person)
- 24.07.07 Upgrade of Broadband in the Parish
- 24.07.08 To receive oral report from Borough and County Councillors
- 24.07.09 To receive Chairman's report – report from informal meeting with Sir Michael Fabricant MP

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- 24.07.10 Police and Crime – more information can be found at <https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/>
Needwood area 52 crimes in March 2024, 70 crimes in April 2024
- 24.07.11 Speeding Cars and Motorbikes S59 signs
- a) Escalation in anti-social behaviour.
 - b) Community Speed Watch Group – suggested by PCSO Chris Edwards as a deterrent to speeding vehicles on B5013.
- 24.07.12 Admaston telephone box
- Re-instating, possible grant from Cllr Philip Atkins Community Fund. More likely to receive grant if the telephone box has a use.
- 24.07.13 D-Day 80th Anniversary 6 June 2024. Village Hall Event, report from Cllr K Massey.
- 24.07.14 Planning
- a) New P/2024/00371 Conversion and alterations of former education centre to form 7 no dwellinghouses with associated works. Location: Blithfield Education Centre , Newton Hurst Lane, Dapple Heath,Staffordshire, WS15 3PH
 - b) Pending P/2024/00365 Prune the side of the canopy back by up to 1.5m to clear the building of one Yew tree (T18), reduce and shape the canopy by up to 2m of one Cherry tree (T49). Location: The Old Rectory, Blithfield Church Road, Admaston, Staffordshire, WS15 3NL Grid Ref: 404196 323966
 - c) Decisions P/2024/00203 Proposal: Replacement of mobile home units with a permanent dwelling. Location: Booth Meadow Farm, Booth Lane, The Blythe, Staffordshire, S18 0LU REFUSED
P/2024/00366 Remove to 6m habitat stump of one Pine tree (T1), fell to obtain a 3m clearance from the rear of the garages self-set mixed vegetation (G1), remove the 2 lowest branches which are overhanging the corner of the garage and parking area of one Oak tree (T2) Location: The Old Rectory, Blithfield Church Road, Admaston, Staffordshire, WS15 3NL Grid Ref: 404196 323966
NO OBJECTION
 - d) Anticipated planning application for Moreton Brook Solar Farm by Aura Power south of Newton. No application has been received. The parish council will keep a watching brief on this matter.
 - e) P/2019/01105 Leaways, Newton – apparent non-compliance with planning decision. Within 6 months of the date of this consent a scheme of landscaping to provide a native species hedge for the land in front of the fencing hereby approved has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

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24.07.15 Highways and Lengthsman

- a) Booth Lane Potholes -reported
- b) Newton Lane Pothole – some pot holes have been marked up for repair
- c) Newton Hurst Lane Road Surface – some work has been carried out
- d) Grit bin – Rectory Farm – hope that this will be sorted as part of regular schedule next autumn
- e) General poor state of roads in the parish – clerk has received an email from Cllr Philip Atkins stating the Staffordshire County Council’s intent to repair the roads, a further £8 million has been pledged on top of the £30 million already allocated over the next 2 years.

Clerk is also in receipt of a Safety Inspection Code of Practice for the Highways.
- f) School Lane, Admaston – replacement of verge posts, no further progress.
- h) ESBC and Admaston signage up grade on B5013 – ESBC Councillor Jones is trying hard to find a department within ESBC who will take responsibility for this.

24.07.16 Finance. a)

Ref/Cheque	Item	Amount
SO 29.04.24	Fiona Shipley – Parish Admin	£220.65
Chq 589 11.05.24	SLCC subscription	£85.00
Chq 590 11.05.24	Eric Roy Website	£120.00
Chq 591 11.05.24	Alistair Jepson donation for audit	£30.00
Chq 592 11.05.24	SPCA subscription	£91.00
Chq 593 11.05.24	Fiona Shipley clerks expenses	£123.69
Chq 594 11.05.24	CPRE membership	£100.00
Chq 595 11.05.24	Zurich insurance	£214.00

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SO 29.05.24	Fiona Shipley – Parish Admin	£220.65
A/c Balance 30.05.24	A/c 054 £4221.75	A/c 575 £5055.69

b) To adopt new Financial Regulations (in line with new model produced by NALC May 2024 and circulated to parish councillors prior to the meeting)

24.07.17 To discuss any other business including items for the next agenda

24.07.18 Date of next meeting - 12 September 2024