

HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL
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**Members of Hermitage Parish Council are summoned to attend a
Meeting of Hermitage Parish Council
The Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church, Hermitage**

Thursday 16th March 2023 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

1 Public participation

Members of the public are welcome at Hermitage Parish Council meetings but can only speak during the first 10 minutes which are reserved for this purpose. Anyone wishing to speak should please advise the Clerk of this at least 48 hours before the meeting. Councillors will listen but cannot respond directly at the meeting.

2 Apologies for absence: Dist. Cllr H Cole, Dist. Cllr G Simpson, Cllr B Jennings, Cllr M Yam.

3 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th February to be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4 Declarations of interest

5 Actions agreed and matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

6 The report of the District Councillors

7 Planning

7.1 New applications:

23/00326/HOUSE, Cornish Cottage, Priors Court Road, Hermitage, RG18 9TG.

Proposed addition of first floor storey to existing chalet bungalow and widen existing access.

7.2 Decision notices:

22/03098/ Adelaide House, Newbury Road, Hermitage, Thatcham RG18 9TD Garage

conversion with single storey extensions to the front and rear of the garage. Approved.

7.3 Neighbourhood Development Plan: verbal update. Selection of Neighbourhood Plan examiner.

8 Finance and report of Responsible Finance Officer

8.1 Report of Financial Officer

8.2 Payments for consideration March 2023

8.2.1 Sunshine Commercial Services Ltd monthly charge £ 269.57

8.2.2 Grass maintenance/Contractor £ 683.90

8.2.3 Cost of administration £ 769.40

8.2.4 Expenses, ink, postage £ 28.07

8.2.5 Grant 2023-24 – Village Hall £1,000.00

8.2.6 Grant 2023-24 – Preschool £1,355.00

8.2.7 Grant 2023-24 – Holy Trinity Church £1,600.00

8.2.8 APA caterer £ 500.00

8.2.9 Village Hall, APA Hall booking fee	£ 79.20
8.2.6 Gardner Leader Solicitors (Hermitage Green open space transfer)	£1,500.00
8.2.7 Navigus Planning Ltd (NDP)	£1,755.00
	Total £9,540.14

8.3 Direct Debits previously approved:	
1&1 Ionas (web site) monthly payment	£ 5.99
NEST monthly payment	£ 66.92
8.4 Receipts to be noted February 2023:- None	
8.5 To approve online payment test using clerk expense payment	

9 Burial ground: verbal report

- 9.1 Interment request: plot 28
- 9.2 Reservation of plots: near to plot 7
- 9.3 Numbering of grave plots
- 9.4 Reservation of plot 101

10 Highways

- 10.1 Speeding: verbal update
- 10.2 Speed watch signs for bins

11 Environment

Council to receive verbal reports or updates on the following:

- 11.1 Playgrounds
 - 11.1.1 Councillor inspection reports
 - 11.1.2 Pinewood Park refurbishment
- 11.2 Furze Hill
 - 11.2.1 Recreation Ground
 - 11.2.2 To approve the placement of scalplings at the trip hazard in front of the main pedestrian gate to the recreation ground in the sum of £220 plus vat.
 - 11.2.3 Scrub increase near the children's playground
 - 11.2.4 Swing in tree
 - 11.2.5 WBCS use of walk behind strimmer
- 11.3 Other open spaces: Dines Way, Lipscomb Close, Charlotte Close.
- 11.4 Dines Way Energy Storage from AMP Clean Energy
- 11.5 West Berkshire Community Panel - Notification of consultation on Local Transport Plan (LTP4)

12 Other matters

Council to receive verbal reports or updates on the following:

- 12.1 Village Hall
 - 12.1.1 Parking at the village hall: to receive report and consider future steps
- 12.2 Defibrillator checks
- 12.3 Draft HPC logo
- 12.4 APA
- 12.5 Potential extension of the Eling Way

13 Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

- West Berkshire Community Panel - Notification of consultation on Local Transport Plan (LTP4)
- Sustainability Webinar for the Hospitality Sector
- West Berkshire Council Environment News - February 2023
- West Berkshire Council: Cracking down on littering and fly tipping in West Berkshire
- Residents Bulletin 22 February 2023

What's On Spring 2023

Police & Crime Bulletin Feb '23 - Forensics centre, more police, and more...

Dementia Friendly West Berkshire March Monthly Calendar

Parish and Town Council elections 4th May 2023

Invitation to join our West Berkshire Parish Climate Forum: Wednesday 8th March 2023

Residents Bulletin 1 March 2023

West Berkshire Libraries News - March 2023

West Berkshire Council: £353k Secured by Council to Improve Planning Application Process

NALC Chief Executive Bulletin

West Berkshire Council: Veolia and West Berkshire Council soil conditioner give-away event

West Berkshire Council: Council votes to continue with Local Plan Review

Cold Weather Alert - Level 3 - Action Required

Waste and Recycling Spring Newsletter

Part Two: HPC Financial and other Regulations.

Part Two: Preparing for 4th May elections.

- 14 Reports from Parish Council representatives who have attended meetings of outside bodies on behalf of the council.**
- 15 Items to be raised by Councillors (information only)**
- 16 Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent (information only)**
- 17 Date of the next meeting**
Wednesday 27th April at 7.30pm in the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church
Annual Parish Assembly
Thursday 20th April at 7.30pm for 8pm meeting, Village Hall Hermitage

Nicky Pierce

Parish Clerk

10th March 2023
