## **ELMSTED PARISH COUNCIL**

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Cllr Miss Carey Cllr Mrs Hollingsbee

You are invited to the Annual Meeting of Elmsted Parish Council held virtually, on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30pm at Evington Village Hall

## AGENDA

- 1. Election of the Chairman and any Vice-Chairman for the Council year 2022-23
- 2. Completion of the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form by all Councillors
- 3. To receive and approve apologies for absence.
- 4. To receive declarations of interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.
- 5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- 6. To discuss matters arising from the above minutes not covered by the agenda.
- 7. Report from District/County Councillors
- 8. Public session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item.
- 9. To review the effectiveness of the system of Internal Controls: Councillors are asked to consider the Statement of Internal Control in support of the Annual Governance Statement.
- 10. Financial matters:
  - a) To approve the following financial documents:
    - i. To receive the end of year accounts
    - ii. To confirm that the Council can certify itself as exempt from the "limited assurance review" and complete the Certificate of Exemption
    - iii. To receive the report from the Internal Auditor
    - iv. To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2021/22, section 1 of the AGAR for the year ending 31 March 2022.
    - v. To consider the Accounting Statements 2020/21 and approve the Accounting Statements 2021/22, section 2 of the AGAR for the year ending 31 March 2022 and the supporting Bank Reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 and the explanation of significant variance from 2020-21 to 2021-22. To ensure the Accounting Statements 2021/22 are signed and dated by the person presiding at the meeting
  - b) To note/authorise the following:
    - i. To note the Parish Council's financial position, Chair to initial bank statement.
    - ii. To authorise any payments
- 11. To review Financial Regulations, Standing Orders, Asset and the Risk Assessment, and confirm arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insured risks

- 12. Review of the Council's and/or staff subscriptions to other bodies ie KALC/ACRK
- 13. Review of the Council's complaints procedure;
- 14. Review of the Council's policies, procedures and practices in respect of its obligations under freedom of information and data protection legislation (*see also standing orders 11, 20 and 21*);
- 15. Review of the Council's policy for dealing with the press/media;
- 16. Review of the Council's employment policies and procedures;
- 17. To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment.
- 18. Planning matters: to approve the responses to any recent planning applications.
- 19. Any Other Business (for information purposes only):
- 20. Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council.

Thursday 8 September 2022

Thursday 8 December 2022

Thursday 9 March 2023

Thursday 11 May 2023

- 21. Date of next meeting  $8^{th}$  September 2022
- 22. Resolution to exclude the public
- 23. To receive an update on the purchase of land.
- 24. To approve a scale point for the Clerk's pay

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Members of the public and press are welcome to attend and will be given an opportunity to speak on any matter on the agenda.