

FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Freeland Parish Council, to be held on **MONDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2021, at 7.30pm in the VILLAGE HALL.** The public are invited to attend.
The business will be as follows:

1. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION** (see note below)
 - **Neighbourhood Planning** – Rep from WODC to speak re next steps to launch Neighbourhood Planning in Freeland
2. **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
3. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** To receive any Amendments to Register of Members' Interests and Declarations of Interest from Councillors for matters to be considered at the meeting
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th September 2021.
5. **URGENT BUSINESS** - To receive any reports and discuss and agree any action as necessary
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**
 - (a) **Mobile coverage in Freeland** – to receive an update on progress to improve mobile signal
 - (b) **Bench on The Green** – to discuss quotes to replace the bench on The Green and to discuss how to fund this
 - (c) **Yellow Rattle trial sites** – to receive an update on progress and to consider giving a donation towards cost of seeds for project
 - (d) **Platinum Jubilee Celebrations** – to receive an update on possible tree planting sites for the initiative to "Plant Trees for the Jubilee"
 - (e) **WASP (Windrush Against Sewage Pollution)** – to note further info re local river pollution and to discuss how this is being tackled by local groups and whether the parish council wish to take any action
7. **PLANNING** - Applications received & WODC Decisions plus:
 - **Neighbourhood Plan** – to discuss and agree next steps to kick starting the process for a Neighbourhood Plan and discuss ways of encouraging involvement from residents
8. **REPORT OF COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL BUSINESS**
9. **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**
 - (a) Presentation of the monthly financial report
 - (b) Conclusion of annual audit – to receive an update on progress
 - (c) Approval of invoices for payment
 - (d) Review of VAT reclaim
 - (e) Any other financial business – to receive an update on change of bank signatories
10. **PARISH COUNCIL STANDING ITEMS:**
 - (a) **Play Areas/Playing Field/Play Equipment Book** – to receive any reports plus:
 - **Water for cricket square** – to update on progress with adding a water supply to the new storage shed.
 - **Play equipment replacement for wooden climber and toddler area development** – to receive an update re order and installation of new equipment.
 - **Playground Inspection Training** - to receive an update on updating the weekly play area checklist following Playground Inspection Training
 - (b) **Village Highway Matters – to receive any reports:**
 - **Traffic calming measures** – to receive an update from Traffic Calming Working Group, and to update on the traffic survey
 - **Dead oak tree by 149B Wroslyn Road** – to receive an update on removing deadwood from tree
 - **Hedgerow & Wildflower Grants** – to receive an update on whether the PC is eligible and to apply for the Wild Oxfordshire Hedgerow Grant and the Glorious Cotswold Grasslands Grant
 - **Speedwatch**– to receive an update from Speedwatch group and to approve the purchase of two Speedwatch signs
 - **First and Last Mile** – to update on progress and to approve an agreement between PC and First and Last Mile re procurement of bus services via S106 funds

- **Laurel Hedge trimming in Broadmarsh Lane** – to approve revised quote for this work
 - **Hedge trimming in Village Hall Car Park** – to approve quote for this work
- (c) **Footpath & Bridleway matters/Footpath Book** – to receive any reports: Footpath signage on BR1 needs attention – this has been logged with OCC.
- (d) **Garden of Remembrance** – to receive any reports
- (e) **Freeland Hall Management Committee** – to receive any reports
11. **GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME** – to consider whether the PC wishes to set up a Good Neighbour Scheme in conjunction with Age UK and Volunteer Link Up
12. **FREELAND METHODIST CHURCH** – To discuss whether to write to the Methodist Circuit to enquire about future intentions for the church and to raise concerns about maintenance and current empty status for 4 years to ensure it doesn't fall into disrepair.
13. **CORRESPONDENCE** – To discuss and agree any actions arising from:
- (a) OALC September update – details emailed around
 - (b) OPFA – AGM to be held on Tuesday 26th October, 7.30pm at Exeter Hall, Kidlington – details emailed around
 - (c) WODC – Invite to Town & Parish Forum - to be held on Thursday 4th November, 7-9pm at Tiddy Hall, Ascot-under-Wychwood – details emailed around.
 - (d) Community First Oxfordshire – invite to AGM on Monday 1st November, 2-3.30pm via Zoom – details emailed around
 - (e) OCC – A40 Corridor – to note archaeological investigation work to commence 18th October for 8 weeks – details emailed around
 - (f) OCC – Workshops to introduce OCC Cabinet's new priorities – to be held on Monday 18th October, 7-8.30pm or Thursday 21st October 2-3.30pm via MS Teams.
14. **CIRCULATION**
15. **TO RECEIVE A MONTHLY UPDATE REGARDING FREELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**
16. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** - for preliminary discussion only
17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**
Ordinary Council Meeting: Monday 15th November 2021, 7.30pm, in the Village Hall.

Note: The Council is prohibited by law from making decisions on matters not included under any item in the published agenda except on certain matters in an emergency. The order of the Agenda items may be altered at the discretion of the Chairman.

Public Participation Session:

Each member of the public is entitled to speak once for no more than 3 minutes in the 10-minute Public Participation Session and may only speak in respect of business on the Agenda. Questions posed by the public shall be addressed to the Chairman and shall not require a response or debate although the Chairman may direct that a response to a question may be referred to a Councillor for an oral response or to the Clerk for a written or oral response. Names of those participating or addressing the Council may be recorded and published in Council minutes.

Lisa Smith, Parish Clerk.

11th October 2021