



Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on:

Day/Date **Wednesday 2 October 2024**
Time: **6.30p.m.**
Venue: **Gainford Village Hall (Supper Room)**

Councillors are summoned to attend.

Signed: *Martin Clark*
Parish Clerk
26 September 2024

Public Participation 7.00 - 7.15pm

15-minute discussion period for members of the public to raise questions from items from the agenda.

AGENDA

1. Acceptance, or otherwise of apologies

Recommendation – That the submitted apologies be accepted and approved.

2. Declarations of Interest:

Members are asked to consider whether they might have a personal or a pecuniary interest in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting. If so, it is requested that any such interest be declared now. If subsequently during the consideration of any matter, it becomes apparent to any member that he/she does, indeed, have an interest, it should then be declared immediately.

3. Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 4 September 2024

Recommendation - To approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 4 September 2024.

Recommendation – That the minutes are approved as true record.

4. Clerks Report (attached)

Recommendation – That the information is noted.

5. Finance

5.1 October meeting reconciliation and payments.

Recommendation – That the October meeting payments and reconciliation be approved.

5.2 Safe use of Pesticides, and Safe Handling of Pesticides

Approval required to enrol the village handyman on the above courses at a total cost of £535 with the money from the Maintenance budget.

5.3 Community Grant application (submitted)

A grant application has been received from the Dog Fouling Campaign for consideration.

5.4 Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) 2023/24

Pursuant of Minute 7.1 & 7.2/May/24 and the council's approval of Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement and Section 2 (Accounting Statements), the Annual Return, together with all supporting documentation, were duly submitted to the Council's External Auditor (Mazars LLP by the agreed date.

There were no material matters affecting the opinion.

Recommendation – That the information is received and noted.

6. Bonfire/Fireworks future events

Members to discuss the planning for any future bonfire/firework event in the village

7. Village Issues/Maintenance

8. Correspondence

Woodland Parish Council	Hamsterley development

9. Planning

None.

Applications can be viewed online via Durham County Council's Planning Application System:

<http://publicaccess.durham.gov.uk/online-applications/>

Next meeting – Wednesday 6 November 2024 @6.30pm

*Members of the public should contact the Clerk if they have any matters to be raised within the public participation period that relate to the business to be conducted on this agenda.

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