

FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillors, you are summoned to attend a meeting of **FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 13^h February 2024, 7.00pm** Firle Village Hall. *Lorna Thwaites*, Firle Parish Clerk, Wednesday 7th February 2024.

To RECEIVE questions from the Public:

The first ten minutes are available for public participation before the start of the meeting. During this time, members of the public may ask questions or make representations, in respect of business on the agenda. Members of the public may only speak at other points during the meeting if they have knowledge or information that will aid the discussion and will only speak at the Chairman's discretion.

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** To receive and accept apologies for absence.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR A DISPENSATION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA,** as required by the Members Code of Conduct.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** To RESOLVE that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Firle Parish Council held on 9th January 2023 are a correct record and signed by the Chair.
- 4. TO AGREE ACTIONS NEEDED TO INSTALL A FOOTPATH BETWEEN CROSSWAYS AND FIRLE PRIMARY SCHOOL -** Cllr Hill.
- 5. TO AGREE THE DATE AND FORMAT FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING –** to be held between 01 March and 01 June 2024.
- 6. FINANCE/ADMIN:**
 - 6.1 To NOMINATE a councillor to review the bank statements and invoices during the meeting.
 - 6.2 To AUTHORISE payments to be made in February and to RECEIVE and SIGN the bank reconciliation.
 - 6.3 To RECEIVE an update on spend to-date vs budget.
 - 6.4 To RECEIVE meeting dates for 2024/5.
- 7. GRANT AWARDS/S137.**
- 8. REPORT(S):**
 - 8.1 To RECEIVE reports from Local and District Councillors and the MP for Lewes.
- 9. FIRLE ESTATE**
 - 9.1 To RECEIVE an update on the planting of the Coronation Grove.
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**
 - 10.1 Rural Grass Cutting Service – Environmental Enhancement Service Option.
 - 10.2 D-Day Pin Badge and the County of East Sussex.
 - 10.3 New Net Facilities.
 - 10.4 The Lewes Fund.
 - 10.5 LNRS: Briefing Parish and Town Councillors on Monday 26th Feb at 6pm.
- 11. HIGHWAYS:**
 - 11.1 To RECEIVE the latest communication on Wick Street signage.
 - 11.2 To RECEIVE the quote for the repairs required to the bus shelter at Crossways – Cllrs Barr and Lance.
 - 11.3 To RECEIVE an update on drainage and potholes in the parish and the letter sent to Cllr Johnny Denis and Maria Caulfield MP.
 - 11.4 To RECEIVE an update from Cllr Denis on the request to ask ESCC Highways to attend to the dangerous verge-side potholes along Ripe Lane.
- 12. MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 12.1 To RECEIVE an update on the letter sent to the owners of The Cottage requesting permission to place a parking restriction sign on their wall.
 - 12.2 To AGREE actions to prevent dog fouling in the village – Cllr Hill.
 - 12.3 To RESOLVE to support the 'Don't Urbanise the Downs' campaign and agree any actions – Cllr Lance.
 - 12.4 To DISCUSS the surface of the road by Middle Farm – Cllr Barr.
- 13. LEWES LOCAL PLAN:** To RECEIVE an update on the response of Firle Parish Council to the LDC Local Plan Consultation.
- 14. EAST SUSSEX DRAFT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 4 (LTP4):** To agree the response of Firle Parish Council to the consultation on LTP4 (deadline 25th February 2024).
- 15. PROJECTS:**
 - 15.1 20s Plenty for Firle**
 - 15.1.1 To AGREE how and when to complete the appraisal application for Community Match Funding.
 - 15.2 Assets of Community Value**

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15.2.1 To RECEIVE an update on the progress of nominating Firle Village Stores as an Asset of Community Value – Cllr Symes and Lance.

16. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: To AGREE comments for applications received:

16.1 **SDNP/24/00280/LIS Proposal:** Change of use of annex to holiday let and ancillary residential accommodation **Location:** 56 Crossways, Wick Street, Firle, Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 6LG (deadline 22nd Feb)

16.2 **SDNP/24/00377/LIS Proposal:** Installation of external lighting scheme **Location:** Riding School ,The Street, Firle, BN8 6LP (deadline 01 March)

17. TO AGREE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH MAGAZINE.

18. TO PROPOSE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL.

19. TO RECEIVE THE TIME AND DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL.

20. TO CLOSE THE MEETING.