



Billinge Chapel End Parish Council

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Members are summoned to attend a Parish Council Meeting of the Billinge Chapel End Parish Council, on Monday 16 January 2023 at 7.30pm.

This will be held in The Public Hall, 216 Main Street, Billinge WN5 7PE.

Hazel Broatch

Clerk to the Council

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Statement (if any) from Merseyside Police
2. Statements (if any) from Borough Councillors Betts, Murphy and Peers
3. The public may speak of any matters of concern, but the Council may not make any lawful decision during the public session. The public cannot take part at any other time in the meeting.

Please note that Council Meetings are filmed.

Please note that The Clerk is publishing any reports attached on the website along with Agenda unless they are of an exempt nature (Local Government Act 1972).

Please note that before the meeting starts a presentation will be made to Sue Murphy and Marie McCourt in recognition of the award of the MBE in this year's January Honours List.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive** any apologies for absence and approve reasons for absence.

To note that Parish Councillor Bill Bates has not been able to attend a Parish Council Meeting in the last six months due to certified ill health. The reason for absence has been approved at each meeting he has missed. It is appropriate (after six months) for the Parish Council to consider if it wishes to continue to approve the reason for absence or not.

- 2. To receive** any declarations of interests from Members.

- 3. To approve** the minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2022 (attached) as correct record

To note the verbal report from the Clerk on progress with the Action Log.

4. Parish Councillor Co-Option

To note that three qualified people have submitted applications to be co-opted onto the Parish Council to fill the casual vacancy created by the resignation of Stu Wainwright. They will attend the meeting and each give a short presentation about what they feel they would bring to the Parish Council. Their written submissions (giving some background information) have been circulated to Members Only.

The Parish Councillors will vote by a show of hands (having heard what each candidate has said they would bring to the Parish Council). The Clerk will record the count. If there is not a candidate with a majority the Clerk will ask for a second vote. In the event that voting does not result in a majority the Clerk will invite the Chair to exercise his right to have the casting vote.

To note that the co-opted Councillor will be asked by the Clerk/RFO to sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and on completion of this will join the meeting as a Parish Councillor.

5. Car Parking on Carr Mill Road

To note the Chair's verbal report on the action taken to-date.

To resolve whether further action be taken and if so, what this action would be.

6. Community Led Library Service

To note that representatives of the community volunteer group are meeting with the community led children's service in Wigan late afternoon on 16 January 2023 and that the Clerk will give a verbal report on this and other actions.

To resolve if another meeting of the community led library service group is needed and if so, when this meeting would be held.

7. Flooding

To note verbal report from Chair on response from St Helens Council to formal complaint raised by the Parish Council.

To resolve if any further action should be taken.

9. Financial Matters

9.1 To note the attached consultation by St Helens Council on its budget proposals for 2023/24 and **to resolve** how to respond to the questionnaire. The Chair has been advised by St Helens Council that this document (although marked confidential) can go into the public domain.

9.2 To note the recommendations from the Estimates Committee Meeting on 9 January 2023 and **to resolve** whether to approve the proposed budget for 2023/24; the level of charges for 2023/24; the precept for 2023/24; that an approach be made by the Clerk/RFO to Billinge in Bloom; and that the feasibility of the proposed list of projects be explored and worked up into proposals that can come back to the Parish Council for consideration and resolution.

9.3 To resolve whether to authorise the payments listed on the Schedule of Payments for January 2023 (attached VN104-111 totalling £4,112.70)

10. Planning – to resolve whether to submit any observations on the following application:

P/2022/0869/FUL Belvedere Barn Estate, Crank Road, Kings Moss

Extension to existing storage building to create additional storage space.