

AGENDA



To: Cllr S Ward (Chairman)
Cllr M Barnes
Cllr C Blackmore
Cllr P Godwin
Cllr E MacTiernan
Cllr G Shelton

Cllr S Terry (Vice Chair)
Cllr J Beadle
Cllr T Fowler
Cllr P Mackenzie
Cllr J Roberts

Date 9th March 2023

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 15th March 2023**, commencing at approximately 7.10pm, in the Ray Shill Room following a meeting of the Planning Committee.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of its functions; Equal Opportunity (age, race, gender, sexual orientation, faith, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder (Section 17), Health and Safety and Human Rights.

Consideration should be given to the impact of Council decisions on climate change and, in line with its policy, Members should do what they can to reduce the Council's carbon footprint, where reasonably possible.

Members are also reminded that **photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is now permitted under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.**

The records of these meetings are available to view, by written request to the Clerk.

The meeting Agenda follows for your information.

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Clerk of the Council

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Pursuant to the adoption by the Council on 11th July 2012, of the Northway Parish Council Code of Conduct, Minute Reference C/159/12 including paragraph 12(2), Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set on the Agenda to which the approved Code of Practice applies.

Members are reminded that they should, at all times, observe the Code in carrying out their duties and that they signed such an undertaking in their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

In addition, Members are reminded to declare any new Interests or notify the Monitoring Officer of any changes to their existing Register of Interests.

3. **Previous Minutes** – Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 15th February 2023 for approval and signature (copy circulated to Members with Full Council Agenda).

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

GP/19/23 Northway Playing Field > Northway Play Park – The split swing seat has been replaced.

GP/25/23 Newsletter – The latest issue of Northway Voice has been delivered.

GP/10/23 Trees – The offer of seven young Oak trees has been accepted. (Collection required).

GP/22/23 Platinum Park > Trees – Approval has been given for planting of another memorial tree on Platinum Park.

5. **Northway Playing Field**

i. **Northway Play Park**

- a. To receive inspection reports relating to the play park and consider or agree any necessary actions.
- b. To receive update relating the wheelchair swing (Min Ref: GP/19/23 refers) and replacement cabinet. To agree any necessary action (including filming of a video on how to use).

ii. **Northway Skatepark**

- a. To receive inspection reports relating to the skatepark and approve or ratify any necessary action or repairs.
- b. To receive any updates relating to the skatepark project and agree any necessary action.

iii. **M.U.G.A / Outdoor Gym** – To receive inspection reports relating to the MUGA and outdoor gym equipment and approve any necessary action or repairs.

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5. **Northway Playing Field** (continued)

- iv. **BMX Humps** – To receive inspection reports relating to the BMX Humps and approve any necessary action or repairs.
- v. **Lighting** – To receive quotation for installation of a separate meter for the light on the back of the Changing Room Facility, if available, (Min Ref: GP/05/23 refers). To consider or agree action.
- vi. **Fete** – To receive enquiry from South West Wildlife Fundraising Gloucestershire as to whether or not the Council plans to hold a summer fete this year. To consider or agree any action.
- vii. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Northway Playing Field.

6. **Joan's Field**

- i. **Signage** – To approve design of new sign for Joan's Field, if available, (Min Ref: GP/06/23 refers).
- ii. **Motorised Bikes** – To receive notification that motorised bikes accessed Joan's Field and caused damage to the grass and path. To consider or agree any necessary action.
- iii. **Planting** – To receive response from Bromford (if available) regarding possibility of planting/placement of flower barrels along the verge approaching bridge into Joan's Field. (*Note agreement made at the last General Purposes Meeting (Min Ref: GP/21/23)*). To consider or agree any action.
- iv. **Giant Hogweed** – To receive report from Cllr Roberts following inspection of Joan's Field for Giant Hogweed, if taken place. To agree any action.
- v. **New Entrance** – To receive feedback from a resident regarding installation of the new bridge/access and suggestion that the Council host a community picnic there in the summer. To agree any action.
- vi. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Joan's Field.

7. **Platinum Park**

- i. **Teenage Shelter** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Teenage Shelter and agree necessary action(s).
- ii. **Trees** – To reconsider ways of watering the trees and receive a further quotation. To agree action.
- iii. **Path** – To receive quotations for re-establishing the 'ash path' leading up to the teenage shelter, if available, (Min Ref: GP/22/23 refers). To agree any action.
- iv. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other actions relating to Platinum Park.

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8. **Parish Maintenance Contract** –
 - i. **Area Opposite the Northway Centre** – To receive an update on maintenance opposite the Northway Centre (including planting of whips and installation of a knee rail). To consider or agree any action.
 - ii. **Other Issues** – To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.
9. **Northway Community Hub** – To consider or agree action relating to large gap in the hedge between Lee Walk and Northway Community Hub.
10. **Newsletter** – To review the charge for advertisements included in the newsletter (GP/128/18 refers) and amend if necessary.
11. **Iron Bridge** – To receive an update on clearing/repainting at the iron bridge site and agree any necessary actions.
12. **Tree Maintenance Schedule** – To receive an update following tree inspections that have taken place and agree any necessary action. To also receive correspondence from GAPTC warning of the importance of undertaking tree checks (emailed to Members).
13. **Litter Picking Event** – To reconsider holding a community litter picking event. To agree.
14. **ParishOnline** – To consider or agree renewal of the Council's subscription to ParishOnline.
15. **Drainage and Flooding**
 - i. **Reports** – To receive any reports from Members on flooding and agree any action.
 - ii. **Flood Warden** – To receive report from Flood Warden on any flooding issues in the parish and consider or agree any action.
16. **'Report It'** - To receive list of issues reported to authorities (including TBC, GCC or Glos Constabulary) over the past month. To consider any action that may be required.
17. **Correspondence for Information**
 - i. **RoSPA** – Notification that inspection of play areas is due to take place during April.
 - ii. **Make Space for Girls** – Newsletter.
 - iii. **Rural Services Network** – Bulletin.
18. **Correspondence for Action**
 - i. **Keep Britain Tidy** – Details of the Great British Spring Clean (17 March – 2 April 2023).
19. **Correspondence received after 9th March 2023**