

AGENDA



To: Cllr M Barnes (Chairman) Cllr J Beadle (Vice Chair)
Cllr G Fancourt Cllr P Godwin
Cllr R Godwin Cllr P Mackenzie
Cllr E MacTiernan Cllr M Midwinter
Cllr K Poole Cllr J Roberts
Cllr G Shelton Cllr S Terry

CC: Laura Stewart, Clerk's Assistant

Date: 10th October 2024

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 16th October 2024**, commencing at approximately 7.05pm, 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 biodiversity, in line with its policies. Members should do what they can to reduce the Council's carbon footprint and environmental impact, 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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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Pursuant to the adoption by the Council, on 12th April 2023, of the Northway Parish Council Code of Conduct, Minute Reference C/85/23 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 18th September 2024 for approval and signature (copy circulated with Full Council Agenda).

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

GP/111/24 Hawthorn Way – A letter was sent to residents of Hawthorn Way.

GP/113/24 Joan's Field > Footpath – The footpath has been recompacted.

GP/114/24 Platinum Park > Goal Post – To receive update.

GP/119/24 Parish Maintenance Contract > Bus Shelter/Phone Box Cleaning – A new contract has been accepted.

5. **Northway Playing Field**

i. **Northway Play Park** – To receive inspection reports relating to the play park. To agree any necessary action.

ii. **Northway Skatepark**

a. **Inspection Reports** – To receive inspection reports relating to the skatepark and agree any action.

b. **Construction** – To receive update on construction of the new skatepark and agree any necessary action.

c. **School Visit** – Maverick have offered to talk with local schools, on site, about construction of the skatepark. The local schools have indicated that they would like to accept this offer. To receive update and agree any associated action.

d. **Opening Event** – To consider or agree any matters relating to the skatepark opening event scheduled to take place on 31st May 2024.

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5. **Northway Playing Field** (continued)
 - iii. **M.U.G.A / Outdoor Gym**
 - a. Inspection Reports – To receive inspection reports relating to the MUGA and outdoor gym equipment. To agree any necessary action.
 - b. Operational Inspection – To approve Operational Maintenance Inspection of the outdoor gym equipment.
 - iv. **BMX Humps** – To receive inspection reports relating to the BMX Humps and approve any necessary action or repairs.
 - v. **Back of Changing Rooms/Village Hall** – To receive quotation for maintenance of overgrowth at the back of the Changing Room Facility and Northway Village Hall. To consider or agree approval.
 - vi. **Drainage** – To review drainage issues at Northway Playing Field and consider or agree any necessary action.
 - vii. **Other Action** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Northway Playing Field.
6. **Joan's Field** – To consider or agree any 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. **Platinum Park Trees**
 - a. To receive update following submission of an application to the Coronation Community Orchard Grant Scheme and agree any associated action.
 - b. To receive update on replacement of dead trees on Platinum Park and agree any action (Min Ref: GP/114/24 refers).
 - c. To receive an update on replacement of Coronation Oak trees and agree any further action (Min Ref: GP/114/24 refers). To also receive photographs following Pre-School visit to the trees.
 - iii. **Bollards** – To receive further information relating to bollards and agree necessary action.
 - v. **Other Issues** – To consider and agree any other actions relating to Platinum Park.
8. **Newsletter** – To receive draft copy of the newsletter, if available, and agree any action.
9. **Oak Drive Trees** – To receive update on tree planting in Oak Drive (Min Ref: GP/101/24 refers).

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10. **Flower Barrels** – To receive quotation(s) for removal of flower barrel(s) and consider any action.
11. **Safe Avon** – To consider or agree any action relating to Safe Avon water testing, including appointment of another volunteer, if considered necessary.
12. **Parish Maintenance Contract**
 - i. **TBC Grass Cutting** – To receive response from Tewkesbury Borough Council regarding ongoing grass cutting arrangements and consider or agree action.
 - ii. **Fairway Footpath** – To receive a quotation for maintenance of this footpath and agree action.
 - iii. **Other Issues** – To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.
13. **Winter Maintenance** – To consider action that the Council may wish to take regarding winter maintenance and parish resilience in adverse weather (i.e. grit, grit bins, snow wardens, hand spreaders, etc).
14. **Budget for the Financial Year 2025/2026** – To discuss and agree the financial requirements of the Committee to be incorporated as part of the Council's Budget and Precept (to be tabled at the meeting).
 - i. **Weed Killing** – To reconfirm agreement to not weed kill in the parish during 2025/26 financial year (MiN Ref: GP/86/24 refers).
15. **Drainage and Flooding**
 - i. **Reports** – To receive any reports from Members on flooding and agree any action.
 - ii. **Flood Warden**
 - a. To receive report from Flood Warden on any flooding issues in the parish and consider or agree any action.
 - b. To receive annual report (what achieved, group training, equipment or lack of, maintaining of watercourses, liaison undertaken with other agencies).
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 Action**
 - i. **Skanska** – To receive update following work undertaken by Skanska locally.
 - ii. **Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association** – Membership renewal. To ratify.

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18. **Correspondence for Information**
 - i. **GRCC** – Flood Warden correspondence.
 - ii. **Grassroots Giving** – Newsletter.
19. **Correspondence received after 10th October 2024**