

AGENDA



To: Cllr S Terry (Committee Chairman) Cllr S Ward (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr M Barnes Cllr C Blackmore
Cllr P Godwin Cllr P Mackenzie
Cllr E MacTiernan Cllr E Phennah
Cllr J Roberts Cllr G Shelton
Cllr T Treacy

Date 11th February 2021

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 17th February 2021**, commencing at approximately 7.15pm, directly following a meeting of the Planning Committee.

Following the passing of the Coronavirus Act 2020 (c.7), the Council is unable to meet in person during the COVID emergency. This meeting will, therefore, be held online via the Zoom video conferencing system. To view the meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone either click on the link or go to the Zoom Website (zoom us), click 'join a meeting' and enter the Meeting ID:

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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.

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.

C M Woodward

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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 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 20th January 2021 for approval and signature (copy circulated to Members with Full Council Agenda).

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

GP/141/20 Bird Boxes for Hub Grounds – Bird boxes have now been installed at the Community Hub. Cllr Terry has kindly offered to cover the cost of these and donate them to the Council.

GP/05/21 Northway Playing Field > COVID-19 Restrictions – Notices have been displayed at the Playing Field advising that the Skatepark, MUGA and Gym Equipment is out of operation throughout the current lockdown period.

GP/07/21 Joan's Field > Strimming – SmartCut have been asked to trim in Joan's Field following April.

GP/11/21 Parish Maintenance Contract > Land Opposite The Northway Centre – SmartCut have been instructed to mow to the edges of the land opposite The Northway Centre (following recent maintenance). A response has also been sent to the local resident who contacted the Parish Council regarding this.

5. **GP Projects Working Party** – To receive notes of this meeting (GP/137/20 refers) ([copy circulated to Members](#)), approve the Terms of Reference and consider or agree the recommendations made by the Working Party, as well as any other actions.

6. **Northway Playing Field**

i. **Northway Play Park** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Play Park and consider or agree any necessary action. To consider or agree

ii. **Northway Skate Park** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Skate Park and approve or ratify any necessary action or repairs.

iii. **M.U.G.A / Outdoor Gym** – To receive inspection reports relating to the MUGA and outdoor gym equipment.

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6. **Northway Playing Field** (continued)
 - iv. **BMX Humps** – To receive inspection reports relating to the BMX Humps and approve any necessary action or repairs.
 - v. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary action(s) relating to Northway Playing Field.
7. **Trees**
 - i. **Joan's Field** – To receive any updates relating to tree work in Joan's Field (Min Ref: GP/06/21 refers). To approve any necessary action.
 - ii. **The Park** – To receive any updates relating to tree work on The Park (Min Ref: GP/06/21 refers). To approve any necessary action.
 - iii. **Ash Dieback** – Following the Council's request that Highways GCC plant replacement trees where infected Ash have been removed (Min Ref: GP/06/21 refers), to receive response and agree any action, if necessary.
8. **Joan's Field** –
 - i. **Giant Hogweed** – Giant Hogweed inspections are due to take place at the start of March and the end of May. To confirm arrangements for these.
 - ii. **Strimming** – To organise strimming around trees in Joan's Field, as agreed under Min Ref: GP/125/20. To consider or agree.
 - iii. **Nature Trail** – Following the GP Projects Working Party Meeting, to receive recommendation that the Council progresses establishment of a nature trail in the Field (Min Ref: GPP/06/21 refers) if not already addressed under agenda item 5.
 - iv. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any action(s) relating to Joan's Field.
9. **The Park Amenity Land**
 - i. **Inspection Reports** - To receive any inspection reports relating to The Park and agree necessary action(s).
 - ii. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to The Park.
10. **Newsletter** – To receive draft copy of the newsletter ([copy attached for Members](#)) and consider or agree any necessary additions or amendments. Note: articles have been included as submitted with only minor amendments.
11. **Dog Fouling** – Cllrs Mackenzie and Terry have suggested locations for installation of the We Are Watching You signs (Min Ref: GP/09/21 refers), to consider how these will be put up. To also consider or agree any other action relating to dog fouling in the parish.
12. **Parish Maintenance Contract**
 - i. **Bins** – Following walkabout by Cllr Ward, to consider any bins that may need attention (Min Ref: GP/142/20). To agree any necessary action.

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12. **Parish Maintenance Contract** (continued)
 - ii. **Grass Cutting** – To receive draft contract and grant agreement from Tewkesbury Borough Council in relation to the grass cutting (Min Ref: GP/143/20 refers). To consider approval and signing.
 - iii. **Bus Shelter Cleaning** – To consider quotation(s) for bus shelter cleaning during 2021/22. To consider or agree action.
 - iv. **Other Issues** - To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.
13. **Drainage and Flooding**
 - i. **Reports** – To receive any reports from Members on flooding and agree any action.
 - ii. **Flood Warden** – To receive report from Cllr Mackenzie regarding any flooding issues in the parish and consider or agree any action.
14. **'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.
15. **Correspondence for Information**
16. **Correspondence received after 11th February 2021**