

# 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 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 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**  
**15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023**

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 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023 for approval and signature (copy circulated to Members with Full Council Agenda).

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

**GP/07/23 Platinum Park** – *New trees have now been planted on Platinum Park and wooden guards installed.*

**GP/08/23 Parish Maintenance Contract > Grass Cutting** – *Mr Tonge has been informed that the Parish Council accepts Tewkesbury Borough Council's grass cutting terms for the upcoming year.*

**GP/11/23 Drainage and Flooding** – *Cllr Mackenzie, as Flood Warden, contacted the Environment Agency about the silt bank along the Carrant Brook (down Mill Lane) which cause.*

**GP/166/22 Northway Playing Field > Northway Play Park** – *Cllrs Mackenzie and Ward attached loose drainpipe to the top of swing frames in the Play Park in a bid to discourage birds from landing on them.*

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/128 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.

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

- b. To receive confirmation that planning permission has been granted for build of a new skatepark facility at Northway Playing Field.

To receive notes of a meeting that took place with Maverick regarding 'next steps' (copy circulated with Agenda) and agree any necessary action, including approval of applying for grants.

- 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.
- 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. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Northway Playing Field.

6. **The Public Sector Equality Duty and Open Spaces (Make Space for Girls)** – To received update following site visit on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and agree any necessary action.

7. **Joan's Field**

- i. **Signage** – To approve design of new sign for Joan's Field, if available, (Min Ref: GP/06/23 refers).
- ii. **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. To consider or agree.
- iii. **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.
- iv. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other necessary actions relating to Joan's Field.

8. **Platinum Park**

- i. **Teenage Shelter** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Teenage Shelter and agree necessary action(s).
- ii. **Trees** –
  - a. Following approval under Min Ref: GP/95/22 that one of the new Oak trees planted on Platinum Park should be in memory of ex-Cllr Diana Bailey, to consider or agree installation of a plaque.
  - b. To receive update on further trees agreed for Platinum Park (Min Ref: GP/95/22 refers) and agree any necessary action.
  - c. To further consider ways of watering the trees from March and receive quotations, if available. To agree action.

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8. **Platinum Park** (continued)
  - d. To receive advice relating to TPO's in relation to the two small Oak trees on Platinum Park (Min Ref: GP/10/23 refers).
  - e. To receive request for permission to plant a memorial tree on Platinum Park. To consider or agree.
- iii. **Path** – To review condition of the path leading up to the teenage shelter following recent maintenance to the overgrowth. To agree any action.
- iv. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other actions relating to Platinum Park.
9. **General Purposes Projects Working Party** – A meeting of the GPPWP has been scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023.
10. **Parish Maintenance Contract** – To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.
11. **Newsletter** – To receive draft copy of the newsletter and agree any amendments or necessary action.
12. **Iron Bridge** – To receive an update on clearance/repainting of/around the iron bridge and agree any necessary actions.
13. **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).
14. **Litter Picking Event** – To reconsider holding a community litter picking event.
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. **Make Space for Girls** – Newsletter.
  - ii. **Durn and Woodward** – Introduction to local Northway based Building/Groundwork contractor.
18. **Correspondence for Action**
  - i. **Community Payback** – Details of tree planting scheme.
  - ii. **Walking Group** – To receive request relating to proposed Northway Walking Group using the Community Hub and determine action.
19. **Correspondence received after 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023**