Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council

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To the Members of Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the **ORDINARY MEETING** of the Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council to be held on **Thursday**, **28th November 2024 at 7.30 pm at Betley Village Hall (Committee Room), Main Road, Betley, CW3 9BH where the undermentioned business is to be transacted.**

Yours faithfully

M Clough

Mrs M Clough

Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of personal and prejudicial interests from Members of the Parish Council on matters to be discussed at the Meeting.

3. STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

To receive an update from a representative of Staffordshire Police on policing matters relating to the Parish Council.

4. MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 26th September 2024 to be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair of the Parish Council. (Minutes circulated).

5. MINUTES – FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee held on 31st October 2024 and consider any recommendations. (Minutes circulated)

6. MINUTES – PLANNING COMMITTEE

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 31st October 2024 and consider any recommendations and reports made to Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council. (Minutes circulated)

7. PUBLIC FORUM

To receive any questions from Members of the Public relating to matters on this Agenda.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

New Planning Applications

(i) Reference: 24/00778/FUL Location: 20 Ladygates Betley Crewe

Proposal: Single Storey Rear Extension

Councillor Daly to report

(ii) Reference: 24/00653/FUL Location: Doddlespool Farm Main Road Betley Proposal: Single Storey Farm Building, the building is needed as a feed store and wintering cows, sheep, chickens etc, the existing solar panels will be re-located to the southern facing roof

Councillors Berrisford to update.

(iii) Application Ref No: 24/00713/FUL Location: Garfield Main Road Betley Proposal: Demolition of existing dwelling house and outbuildings. Construction of new self build and custom build dwelling and ancillary buildings, alterations to driveway and entrance off the road.

Councillor Daly to report.

Decided Application

(iv) Application number: 24/00665/FUL Location: Meadowside Cottage Common Lane Betley

Proposal: Two storey and single storey rear extension

Decision: Permit with conditions

9. REPORTS

To receive reports from:-

- (i) The Chair
- (ii) The Vice Chair
- (iii) The Clerk

The Clerk to advise Members on the following correspondence received:-

- Blocked sewer grid at the junction of Church Terrace and The Butts
- Secretarial matters
- Document from Councillor Drakakis-Smith on Minutes

(iv) County Councillor and Borough Councillors

(v) Representatives on Outside Bodies

10. GOVERNANCE

To consider and approve the following Governance Documents:-

- (i) Financial Regulations 2024-2025
- (ii) Code of Conduct 2024-2025
- (iii) Social Media Policy 2024-2025
- (iv) Publication Scheme 2024-2025
- (v) GDPR Policy 2024-2025
- (vi) Retention of Documents Policy 2024-2025
- (vii) Risk Assessment 2024-2025
- (viii) Asset Register 2024-2025 Members to note that the Assets were inspected and the Asset Register was signed and dated by Councillor Daly

11. BUDGET AND FINANCE 2024-2025

Members to consider a report of the Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. (Report circulated)

12. EXTERNAL AUDIT 2023-2024

Members to receive the following documents (Documents circulated):-

- (i) Report of the External Auditor;
- (ii) Notice of Conclusion of Audit Year ending 31 March 2024;
- (iii) Externally Audited AGAR Section 1 Governance Statement 2023-2024
- (iv) Externally Audited AGAR Section 2 Accounting Statement 2023-2024

13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES PAY AGREEMENT 2024

Members to note that the Local Government Services National Pay Agreement from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, has been agreed, and the increase equates to 2.5% per annum.

14. BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2025-2026

Report of the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer enclosed.

15. BROADBAND

The Chair to report on any updates on this matter.

16. FOOTPATHS WORKING PARTY

To receive an update report from the Members of the Footpaths Working Party. (Report circulated)

17. AREA MATTERS

Parish Councillors to raise any matters relating to the individual areas of Balterley, Betley and Wrinehill

18. SAKURA CHERRY TREE PROJECT

The Chair to report.

19. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

To note the following:-

The next Meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee will be held on **Thursday, 23rd January 2025 at 2.00 pm at Betley Village Hall**;

The next Meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, 23rd January 2025 at 2.30 pm (or at the rise of the Finance and Audit Committee) at Betley Village Hall;

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Thursday**, **27th February 2025 at 7.30 pm at Betley Village Hall**.

20. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any other items which the Chair of Council Business (or other person presiding) is of the opinion shall be considered as a matter of urgency.