

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, 26th September 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 27th June 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 25th July 2024 and consider any recommendations. (Minutes circulated)

6. MINUTES – PLANNING COMMITTEE

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25th July 2024 and consider any recommendations. (Minutes circulated)

7. PUBLIC FORUM

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

Members of the Public should note that Councillor Drakakis-Smith has stated that The Wrinehill Blog is a personal communication and not a Parish Council matter. The solicitor who investigated the conduct of Councillor Drakakis-Smith concluded that The Wrinehill Blog is independent of the Parish Council [I was not persuaded that Councillor Drakakis-Smith was acting in an official capacity when posting on her personal blog.] Therefore, this issue cannot be discussed. Therefore, any queries or concerns about the content of the blog should be addressed to Dr Drakakis-Smith, personally.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

(i) New Planning Applications

- **Reference 24/00487/FUL Location: Heppenstalls Old Road Wrinehill Crewe Cheshire CW3 9BW. Proposal - Alterations and refurbishment of existing property including two storey front extension, single storey rear and side extension.**
Councillor Berrisford, the Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee, to report.

(ii) Ongoing Planning Matters

- **Land at Doddlespool, Betley. Reference 17/00186/207C2**

Update from the Borough Council:-

As previously reported, works to the track are largely complete and the landowner now needs to carry out the approved landscaping works. Your officers are progressing the appropriate enforcement action against the landowner to ensure that the landscaping works, as required by condition 4 of planning permission 21/00286/FUL

- **Malt Kiln Farm – Hedgerow. Reference 21/01019/FUL**

The Borough Council reports that despite being sent an email as a consultee, the Parish Council did not respond, therefore the Planning Officer's report stated "No representations have been received by Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council within the statutory period of consultation and it is therefore presumed that they have no objections to the proposal".

- **Planning Inspectorate ROW/3334566 – S14 Appeal, Upgrading of Public Footpath 20 Betley Parish to Bridleway**

The exchange period has now ended and the file sent to an Inspector for a decision.

9. BUDGET AND FINANCE 2024-2025

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

10. REPORTS

To receive reports from:-

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

Members to note that the Clerk has been advised by the External Auditor that he has received a complaint relating to donations paid to the Parish Council.

- (iv) County Councillor and Borough Councillors**
- (v) Representatives on Outside Bodies**

11. SANDY CROFT

Members to receive an update from the Chair on the matter involving the use of Sandy Croft for business activities.

12. BROADBAND

The Chair to report on any updates on this matter.

13. FOOTPATHS WORKING PARTY

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

14. AREA MATTERS

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

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the following:-

A Special Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday, 2nd October 2024 at 7.30 pm at Betley Village Hall to consider the Local Plan;**

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Thursday, 28th November 2024 at 7.30 pm at Betley Village Hall.**

16. 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.