



SIMPSON AND ASHLAND PARISH COUNCIL

To: The Chair and Members of Simpson and Ashland Parish Council

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Full Council to be held on Monday 5th December 2022 at 8:00pm at Simpson Village Hall, when the business set out in the following agenda will be transacted. Members of the public are also invited to attend.

Katherine Harmsworth, Clerk to Simpson & Ashland Parish Council

AGENDA

55) Introductions and apologies for absence

To receive and record apologies from members.

56) Specific declarations of interest

57) Minutes of last meeting

- a) To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the last annual meeting of the council held on 5th September 2022.

58) Public forum

59) To consider the cost-of-living crisis and decide how the PC can support the local community.

- a) To note the grant received from Milton Keynes City Council of £4000 to fund cost of living initiatives and warm spaces.
- b) To agree to open Ashland Lakeside on Tuesday mornings from 10th January 10am-12pm as a warm space.
- c) To agree on other cost of living initiatives.

60) Finance report and discussion

- a) To review and approve payments from 1st September – 30th November 2022.
- b) To review and agree the budget for 2023-24.
- c) To set the precept for 2023-24.

61) Planning Applications

- a) Five Acres
- b) 22/00154/ENF 426 Simpson – Planning Enforcement Enquiry
- c) 22/02407/FUL 12 The Mount
- d) 22/02595/HOU 43 The Mount

62) Open Space

- a) To receive a report on Open Space.
- b) To decide whether to clear the stony area on Hamner Green and if so, to decide on how.
- c) To decide on dates for future litter picks.

63) Ashland Lakeside

- a) To receive a report on the progress of the construction of Ashland Lakeside and the possible opening date.
- b) To review the payments and outstanding costs in relation to Ashland Lakeside.
- c) To agree the purchase of equipment for Ashland Lakeside.
- d) To agree the purchase of signage and a noticeboard for Ashland Lakeside.

64) Simpson Village Hall

- a) To review payments and hire income for Simpson Village Hall.
- b) To decide how to maintain the external area around Simpson Village Hall.

65) Facilities Manager

- a) To decide whether to pursue the option of a facilities manager or caretaker to look after Simpson Village Hall and Ashland Lakeside, and if so to consider what this role may entail.
- b) To consider cleaning arrangements for Ashland Lakeside.

66) East West Rail

- a) To receive a report.

67) New Town Heritage Register

- a) To receive a report.

68) Review of Delegated Decisions

69) To note that the next meeting of the Full Council will be held on a date to be agreed at this meeting.

DELEGATED DECISIONS

Period Covered: 31st August – 30th November

Decisions related to the following matters were made under the Council's Scheme of Delegated Powers.

1. Decision to get quotes for cutting back the foliage around Simpson Village Hall. Quotes were hard to get, received 2 and decided to pursue the cheaper option.
2. Decision to purchase a wreath for Remembrance Day, at a cost of £20.
3. Decision to accept a grant from MKCC for £4000 towards the running of warm spaces or other initiatives to help with the cost of living crisis.
4. Decision to buy and fit gutter guards for Simpson Village Hall as they keep getting blocked with leaves, at a cost of £45.64.
5. Decision to purchase a kettle and henry hoover for Ashland Lakeside, whilst on offer, to receive best value, at a cost of £175.47.