



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 10th July 2023 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

25) Introductions and apologies for absence

To receive and record apologies from members.

26) Specific declarations of interest

27) 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 15th May 2023.

28) Public forum

29) Pensions

- a) To compare 3 pension schemes and to decide which one the PC will use.
- b) To decide what contributions the PC will make to the chosen pension scheme.

30) Finance report and discussion

a) To review and approve payments from 29th April 2023 – 30th June 2023.

31) Actions from Audit:

- a) To complete the following actions from the internal audit:
 - i) Review and approve Financial Regulations – removing reference to making payments by cheque.
 - ii) Rename the Financial Risk Assessment to Risk Register – adding details of computer backup.
- b) To note the following actions from the internal audit have been completed:
 - i) The Register of Interests for DT was updated.
 - ii) The Finance Councillor (PB) is now making a note on the monthly bank reconciliation to confirm which payments and invoices have been checked.

32) New Internal Auditor

a) To receive 3 quotes for the 2023/24 internal audit and to decide which one to proceed with.

33) Planning Applications

a) 22/01585/FUL Five Acres – conditions approved.

34) Open Space

a) To receive a report on Open Space.

35) Ashland Lakeside

- a) To review payments and hire income for Ashland Lakeside.
- b) To agree a budget for the Ashland Lakeside opening event on 16th September.

36) Simpson Village Hall

- a) To review payments and hire income for Simpson Village Hall.
- b) To decide how to dispose of old Village Hall chairs.
- c) To decide whether to purchase a new table tennis table for the Village Hall.

37) Young People

- a) To receive a report on the May half term brunch club.
- b) To confirm arrangements for the summer holiday club.

38) Community Engagement

- a) To receive an update on the street champions.

39) East West Rail

- a) To receive an update.

40) Review of Delegated Decisions

41) 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: 29th April 2023 – 30th June 2023

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

1. £200 was received from MKCC to go towards celebrating the Kings Coronation. The PC did not hold any events itself so instead contributed this to one event in Simpson; a concert at St Thomas' Church and an event in Ashland; a party held at Ashland Lakeside.
2. Purchase of a paper cutter to aid in poster and leaflet making, at a cost of £45.70.
3. Purchase of new chairs for SVH with the grant from The National Lottery Fund (as agreed in the March 2023 meeting – minute 81.b)
4. £50 paid as chairs allowance to purchase thankyou gift for Parish Councillor who recently stepped down.