

Crowhurst

PARISH COUNCIL



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Monday 17 January 2022 at

7.30pm at Crowhurst Village Hall, Forewood Lane, Crowhurst.

Members of the press and public are welcome.

11 January 2022

Deborah Upton

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Clerk to Crowhurst Parish
Council

1.	PUBLIC QUESTIONS: The Council sets aside 15 minutes at the start of each meeting for relevant questions from members of the public, who are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting.
AGENDA	
2.	MEETING ATTENDANCE: a) Present b) Acceptance of Apologies for Absence c) Absent
3.	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: To receive any declaration by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as personal, pecuniary or prejudicial under the Code of Members Conduct.
4.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of Crowhurst Parish Council held on 13 December 2021.
5.	MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED IN THIS AGENDA: To note the actions undertaken on the matters arising from previous meetings which are not covered in this agenda or the clerk's report (appendix 1).
6.	CASUAL VACANCIES:

	<p>The Council has two casual vacancies, which have been advertised to parishioners through a leaflet drop through doors and in the next article for the Crowhurst News. The Council is asked to consider any further action needed.</p> <p>RESOLVE: That the Council consider any further action to be taken.</p>
7.	<p>REPRESENTATIONS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. District Councillor Gary Curtis ii. County Councillor Kathryn Field <p>Resolve: To note the reports.</p>
8.	<p>FINANCIAL REPORTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To review the financial report to 31 December 2021 (appendix 2). Members will note that the Council is likely to spend the majority of its budget by the end of the financial year and there is only a small surplus forecast.. b) The payments report for January 2022 is attached (appendix 3) for consideration. c) The draft budget report is attached (appendix 4) for consideration. Members are asked to agree the budget and authorize the clerk to request the precept from Rother District Council. d) The Council has had the same internal auditor for a number of years, and it is good practice to make a change after three years. The clerk therefore recommends that a new internal auditor be appointed prior to the end of the financial year. e) The Council's payroll provider, Simon Goacher, has given notice that he will be retiring from the end of the financial year. The clerk therefore proposes to manage the PAYE through the HMRC website, which will make a saving to the Council of approximately £150 p.a. but will result in additional work for the clerk. <p>Resolve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To note the finance report b) To approve the payments for January 2022 c) To agree the precept for the year 2022/23 and authorize the clerk to request the precept from Rother District Council. d) To agree to the appointment of the new internal auditor. e) To note the end of the payroll contract
9.	<p>RECREATION GROUND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To receive an update from Councillors on their monthly inspections. b) To receive any updates on the lighting and resurfacing. c) To consider any action needed for the pathway. <p>Resolve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To note the recreation ground update c) To note the updates on works e) To agree any further action on the pathway.
10.	<p>TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING:</p>

	<p>a) To consider the following planning applications: -</p> <p>RR/2021/2765/P – Barleyfield, Catsfield Road, Crowhurst TN33 9BU. Demolition of existing agricultural building and erection of dwelling.</p> <p>For Information: The above application has been submitted by a Parish Councillor</p> <p>RESOLVE:</p> <p>a) To decide whether to provide comments on the planning application for submission to Rother District Council.</p>
11.	<p>VILLAGE MATTERS:</p> <p>a) The Council is asked to consider the nominations that have been received for the Community Award.</p> <p>b) There is a consultation from ESCC regarding high speed broadband, which closes at 9am on 18 January 2022. The Council is asked to consider whether it wishes to submit a response (appendix 5).</p> <p>RESOLVE:</p> <p>a) To agree the person(s) to receive the Community Award</p> <p>b) To agree whether to submit the response to the ESCC broadband consultation.</p>
12.	<p>COUNCILLOR UPDATES ON EXTERNAL BODIES:</p> <p>a) Rother Association of Local Councils (RALC) update (Chair)</p> <p>b) Village Hall Management Committee (Cllr. Thomas)</p> <p>c) Climate & Ecological Emergency Working Group (Cllr. Ms. Plato) including Crowhurst Warmer Homes</p> <p>d) Neighbourhood Plan Design Task Group (Cllr. Mrs. Day)</p> <p>e) 1066 Steering Group (Cllr. Ms. Plato/Cllr. Thomas)</p> <p>Resolve: To note the updates and agree any further actions.</p>
13.	<p>CLERK'S REPORT:</p> <p>To receive any updates that are not already reported on the agenda.</p> <p>Resolve: To agree and authorise any required actions.</p>
14.	<p>INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS:</p> <p>Members are asked for future agenda items</p> <p>Resolve: To provide any suggested items</p>
15.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING:</p>

	To note that the next meeting of the Council will be Monday 21 February 2022
	CLOSE OF MEETING