

# Preston Parish Council

## NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 8pm  
Village Hall, School Lane, Preston, SG4 7UE

To Cllrs: S Anderson, J Buckland, M Burleigh, J Clark, A, Hill, A Morecroft, M Trinder (Chair)

Councillors are respectively summoned to attend this meeting for the transaction of business in the agenda below. The meeting is open to members of the public and press.

Lisa Lathane, Clerk to Preston Parish Council – 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2024



### AGENDA

1. **To receive and accept apologies for absence.**
2. **Chairman's Remarks**
3. **Declarations of interest**
4. **To adopt minutes of the previous meeting**
5. **To consider matters arising from the previous minutes not already on the agenda (information only)**

The Parish Council agreed that the lease should be in place before any work is undertaken in Church Meadow. An update from the Estates Manager on 2nd September is that he is seeking final approval to grant the lease following which he will instruct NHDC legal services to issue the draft. He expects to be able to update the Parish Council again shortly.

6. **Comments from the general public and press (15 mins)**
7. **County and District Update (15 mins)**
8. **Planning**
  - a. **To consider any new planning applications**
    - a. **24/01605/LBC & 24/01604/FP - Temple Dinsley, (formerly The Princess Helena College), School Lane, Preston, Hertfordshire, SG4 7RT**

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**b. 24/01691/FP - Land North East Of Dower House, Hitchin Road, Preston, Hertfordshire**

**b. To note decisions and appeals**

**c. To consider any other planning matters pertinent to the Parish Council**

## **9. Finance**

**a. To authorise non-contractual payments and note payments to date**

**b. To authorise the signing of the Bank Reconciliation**

**c. To review the budget 2024/2025**

Sent separately to Cllrs.

## **10. To review and adopt new Financial Regulations**

Sent separately to Cllrs.

## **11. To agree the Section 106 items to submit in regards to the Temple Dinsley application**

Sent separately to Cllrs.

## **12. Information Boards**

## **13. Village Hall Update**

Preston Village pre-school will open in January 2025 and will be held from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday in the village hall. The hall will be available every evening and at weekends and the committee is facilitating activities.

Improvements are being applied for via section 106 funding from the Temple Dinsley planning application.

## **14. To review possible grant applications to apply for**

To consider an application to the Southern Rural committee for a defibrillator cabinet and its installation at the pavilion. The defibrillator is already available.

A stainless steel cabinet with a code lock and heating: £666. Installation: £205.

Total cost: £871.

Application deadline: 13 October

Decision meeting: 12 December

## **15. To agree response to the NPPF Consultation & the North Herts consultation on Parish Councils**

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Deadlines: NPPF: 24 September      Parish Councils: 7 October

## **16. Clerk's Report (information only)**

## **17. Hertfordshire Highways Update**

### Chequers Lane

To have a 20mph limit on Chequers Lane would cost between £10,000 and £16,000 and take about 18 months. It is low on the County Council's list for any investigation or treatment by the road safety team because there are no recorded collisions.

It was suggested that the Parish Council consider road signs as a cheaper and quicker option. Signs with pedestrians and No footway have been suggested and possible locations have been provided, These sites will be visited by Highways to see if they are suitable and we should be advised further early next week.

### Drive Safe

The coordinator has been off sick for a while but the vetting process for the two lead volunteers has now started. In the interim to save time the co-ordinator is looking to see if he can arrange access to the equipment by storing it in Preston to be shared between ourselves and another scheme being set-up in Lilley.

## **18. Parish Paths Partnership**

## **19. Cricket Club Representation**

## **20. Correspondence received**

## **21. Matters for future consideration**