



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Parish Council to be held at Moretonhampstead Community Centre on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.00pm**. The meeting will consider the items set out below.

If any members of the public wish to attend and make a statement or raise a question at the meeting, they should contact the Clerk before the meeting email [clerk20@moretonhampstead-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk20@moretonhampstead-pc.gov.uk) or phone 01647 440041. The Clerk will then guide you with the process the meeting will take.

Before the meeting there will be a public session to enable the people of Moretonhampstead to ask questions of, and make comments, regarding the Parish Council. Questions not answered at this meeting will be answered in writing to the person asking the question or may appear as an agenda item for the next meeting. Members of the public are asked to restrict their comments, and/or questions to three minutes.

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## AGENDA

### 1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To consider requests from members of the public to make representations, answer questions or give evidence in respect of Council business under Standing Orders 3d to 3n.

### 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To accept apologies for absence. Under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972, members present should decide whether to approve the reason(s) given for absence.

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the member's register of interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it. Requests for Dispensations should be made in writing to the Parish Clerk in advance of the meeting

### 4. MINUTES

To accept as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 *LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)*

### 5. STANDING ITEM – CLIMATE AND ECOLOGY EMERGENCY:

To note the Council Declaration and to embed the Climate and Ecology Emergency Declaration across all Council services, activities, plans and other relevant work, considering the environmental impact of decisions, ensuring a fully integrated approach to mitigating the impact of climate change.

### 6. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

To receive reports of the County Councillor, District Councillor, and the Dartmoor National Park representative if available

### 7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To ensure the tasks actioned at the previous meeting have been completed:

- The Highways working group has accepted the grant from Teignbridge District Council

### 8. CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

To note matters under the Chairman's discretion

## **9. OPEN SPACES REPORT**

To receive the monthly report *Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10*

## **10. CLIMATE CHANGE & ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP**

To receive the monthly report

## **11. INTERNAL FINANCIAL REGULATOR**

To receive the report of the Internal Financial Regulator

## **12. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

To approve the list of payments (to be tabled at the meeting) *LGA 1972 s150 (5)*

## **13. CORRESPONDENCE**

To receive correspondence (attached) and to agree any response:

1. Correspondence received and circulated from an informal group in Ashburton for discussion of car parks asking the council to join their discussions.
2. Correspondence received and circulated from Moretonhampstead Swimming Pool asking the council to write a letter of support for the pool.
3. Correspondence received and circulated from a member of the public expressing disappointment with the recent EV charge point installation.
4. Correspondence received and circulated from the Treasurer of Launceston Velo notifying the council of an upcoming cycle event.
5. Correspondence received and circulated from Moretonhampstead Development Trust notifying the council of an increase in the office rent and service charges.
6. Correspondence received and circulated from BT notifying the council of a price increase

## **14. DEVON AND TORBAY DEVOLUTION DEAL**

To consider the council's response to Devon and Torbay's draft proposal

## **15. FINANCE AND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS**

To receive the draft minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Policy committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (attached) and to agree the following recommendations:

1. Recommendation to approve the draft Data Protection Policy.
2. Recommendation to approve the draft Action Plan with the agreed amendments.

## **16. OPEN SPACES RECOMMENDATIONS**

To receive the draft minutes of the meeting of the Open Spaces committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (attached) and to agree the following recommendations:

1. Recommendation to accept the offer of help (in Cllr Hodge's report) to manage and maintain the tree with many thanks from the parish council.
2. Recommendation to continue discussions with the Allotment Association with a view to siting a shed on Cllr Austin's Allotment at minimum expense to store the signs.
3. Recommendation to leave the moles in the Sentry.
4. Recommendation to accept the lengthsman tender.
5. Recommendation to leave the open spaces contract as it is.
6. Recommendation to remove the damaged cross and not replace it.

## **17. DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE PERFORMANCE**

To receive the Devon and Cornwall Police performance report January 2024

## **18. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND**

To receive an update from the Highways working group

## **19. BENCHES**

To receive the Clerk's report and consider the requests from members of the public

**SIGNED:** *Samantha Parkin* (Parish Clerk) **DATE:** 28/02/2024