



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Parish Council to be held at Moretonhampstead Community Centre on **Tuesday 1st July 2025 at 7.00pm**. The meeting will consider the items set out below.

Public Participation

If any members of the public wish to attend and speak at the meeting, please contact the Clerk in advance by email at clerk20@moretonhampstead-pc.gov.uk or phone 01647 440041. The Clerk will explain the meeting process.

A public session will be held before the meeting to allow residents to ask questions or make comments to the Parish Council. Questions not answered at the time may receive a written response or be added to a future agenda. Public comments or questions are limited to three minutes.

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 and the Council's Code of Conduct, members must declare any interests not already registered or notified to the Monitoring Officer. Requests for dispensations should be submitted in writing to the Clerk before the meeting.

4. MINUTES

To accept as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 3rd June 2025 *LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)*.

5. STANDING ITEM – CLIMATE AND ECOLOGY EMERGENCY:

To note the Council's Climate and Ecology Emergency Declaration and commit to embedding it across all services, activities, plans, and decisions, ensuring environmental impact is considered and a fully integrated approach to climate change mitigation is adopted.

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 Clerk has submitted the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/25 and commenced the Period of Public Rights
- The Clerk has purchased the agreed office equipment and renewed the council's broadband contract with BT

8. CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

To note matters under the Chairman's discretion

9. OPEN SPACES REPORT

To receive the monthly report *LGA 1972 s139*

10. CLIMATE CHANGE & ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

To receive the monthly report

11. INTERNAL CONTROLS COUNCILLOR

To receive the report of the Internal Controls Councillor

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 or action:

1. Correspondence received and circulated from the Moorlander asking the council to comment on how broadband connectivity is affecting the community
2. Correspondence received and circulated from the Parish Hall committee seeking the council's views on the Parish Hall
3. Correspondence received and circulated from a volunteer asking the council to share the Dartmoor Women in Farming – Time Out group
4. Correspondence received and circulated from 20's Plenty For Us CIC encouraging the Council to contact its County Councillor to explain why a 20mph speed limit is important to Moretonhampstead.

14. INFORMATION CENTRE

To receive an update from Cllr Evans (PC representative)

15. HOSPITAL UPDATE

To receive the attached update and to agree any actions *Local Government Act 1972 s.137*

16. FIRE SERVICE UPDATE

To receive the attached update and to agree any actions *Local Government Act 1972 s.137*

17. CCLA PUBLIC SECTOR DEPOSIT FUND

To consider depositing council reserves in the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund to improve return on funds while maintaining liquidity and security *Local Government Act 2003 s.12*

18. BENCHES

To consider the quote from the Community Shed for repairs to benches in the Sentry and the Churchyard, and the quote from a local joiner to replace the benches in the Sentry, and to agree any actions *Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10*

19. CAR PARK BOUNDARY FENCE

To consider the condition of the boundary fence between Court Street car park and Forder Meadow (as per the 2007 land transfer agreement), and to agree to seek quotes for its repair or replacement

20. SUMMER BREAK

To agree to delegate powers for August break *Local Government Act 1972 s.101*

21. CLERKS SUMMER HOURS

To approve the Clerk using accrued hours to work 3 days a week during the Summer Holidays and to note the Clerk's annual leave *Employment Rights Act 1996 s.1*

SIGNED: *Samantha Parkin* (Parish Clerk) **DATE:** 25/06/2025