

Otterton Parish Council A meeting of the members of Otterton Parish Council will be held on **Monday 2nd October 2023 at 7.30pm** in the Otterton Village Hall and all Parish Councillors are summoned to attend the meeting. Members of the public and the press are welcome to be present. *Francesca Mills* Clerk Otterton Parish Council

AGENDA

1	Absence Apologies	<i>To receive apologies from Cllrs.</i>	Clerk
2	Agree Part 2	<i>Agree items to be taken as Part 2 (Confidential)</i>	All
3	Declarations of Interest	<i>To receive declarations of pecuniary interest on items on the agenda</i>	Chair
4	Minutes	<i>To accept and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2023 as a correct record of the meetings. To consider any matters arising from the minutes, not elsewhere on the agenda.</i> <i>Matters arising:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Placement of tables outside the Kings Arms,</i> • <i>Speed watch update</i> • <i>Topple testing Otterton Cemetery.</i> • <i>Bin on the Green</i> • <i>Feedback of Highways resurfacing work</i> • <i>Review quote for refurbishing of notice boards</i> • <i>Petanque strip</i> • <i>Surfacing work Ropers Lane</i> 	Chair
5	Public Questions	<i>Response to items received by email, post or in person.</i>	All
6	Correspondence	<i>Correspondence from members of the public</i>	All
7	Chairman's Business	<i>To receive a report from the Chairman</i> <i>Proposal for recruitment of 'Parish Lengthsman'</i>	Chair
8	Trees	<i>Discuss cost of tree work proposals & Horse Chestnut on the green</i>	All
9	Tap on Green	<i>Update on current situation, costs and alternative suppliers.</i>	Chair
10	Local Planning	<i>Discuss any applications received:</i>	All
11	Jubilee Playpark	<i>Update</i>	All
12	Ladram Bay	<i>Update from the management of Ladram Bay</i>	
13	Reports from Councillors with specific responsibilities & reports on village amenities and Bodies	<i>To allocate interim responsibilities for the amenities & bodies:</i> <i>The Village Green & war memorial, Village Hall - MM</i> <i>Community shop - RW</i> <i>Stantyway Recreation Field & Football Club - JF</i> <i>Raleigh Federation - RW</i> <i>Jubilee Playground</i> <i>The Cemetery- JF</i> <i>Contracts & Finance - RW</i> <i>Village Defibrillator - FM</i>	
14	County&District	<i>Consider Councillors reports circulated in advance of meeting</i>	All
15	Financial matters	<i>To agree payment of cheques as per schedule below</i>	Chair
16	Further Actions	<i>To agree recruitment committee & timeline for actions.</i> <i>Arrange changes to signing authority for OPC bank account</i>	Clerk
17	106 Funding	<i>Discuss responsibilities of parish council to progress.</i>	Clerk
18	Items for next Agenda	<i>Consider items of business for next meeting.</i>	Clerk
19	Date of next meeting & other Community events	<i>OPC Meeting - Scheduled for 2nd October</i> <i>Stream Clean - 7th October 2023</i> <i>Otterton Church Harvest Supper - 10th October 2023</i> <i>Boundary Walk – Saturday 11th November 2023</i> <i>Reindeer Run – 2nd December</i>	All

Proposed meeting dates 2023: 6th November, 4th December

Income &Expenditure August/September 2023	Opening Balance	£13874.08
SWW cemetery	d/d	5.50
Working balance		£13868.58

Correspondence from Geoff Porter (Agenda item 9)

Dear Councillors, I have heard that the proposed tap on The Green could cost the community £1,500. Surely, this can't be true?

If this is correct, then I would respectfully ask the Council to revisit this proposal. I do not believe, even as a keen horticulturalist, that spending that amount of money on a tap to water flowers is a right use of our money. At the time when the community was asked for their priorities when the Neighbourhood Plan was being produced, the playground was high on the priority list. I don't recall a tap on The Green being on the radar.

Can I suggest an alternative solution. Having spoken with Brian Major, who as you know lives by The Green, he would be happy to provide the village with water drawn from the canal free of charge. I do recognise that this might be a short term solution for accessing water.

If the problem of carrying water cans from Brian's to the planters is problematic, then I am happy to do this if it prevents the use of such a huge sum of villagers money.

Geoff Porter.

Correspondence from Mike Brown (Agenda item 4 matters arising)

Dear Councillor Bailey

I am informed that the Programme Delivery Team are aware of Ropers Lane and discussions have already been had. The poor areas are to be patched prior to next year and then sealed as part of the snagging list for the surface dressing contractor (that process needs to be done in the spring/summer months).

Regards Mike Brown Neighbourhood Highways Officer