DESFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th January 2025 at Desford Library All Members of the Parish Council are hereby summoned to attend this Council meeting to transact the business set out in the agenda below.

Signed

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by the Clerk to the Council

9th January 2025

AGENDA

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The period of 15 minutes will be allocated to allow members of the public to raise any comments or ask questions to the Council in line with the Council's Standing Orders.

Council to receive updates from Borough Councillors Joyce Crookes, Robin Webber-Jones and Mark Bools and County Councillor Peter Bedford.

- 1. To RECEIVE apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given.
- 2. To RECEIVE declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda.
- 3. To ELECT a Vice-Chairman and sign acceptance of office form
- 4. To APPROVE the adoption of draft minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 18th December 2024.
- 5. To RECEIVE updates and CONSIDER recommendations from Working Groups:
 - 5.1. Allotments WG:
 - 5.2. Cemetery WG:
 - 5.3. Staffing Sub Committee see agenda item 11
 - 5.4. Procedures WG:
 - 5.4.1. Lone Working Policy
 - 5.4.2. Biodiversity Policy
 - 5.4.3. Freedom of Information Policy
 - **5.4.4. Vexatious Complaints Policy**
- 6. To RECEIVE and CONSIDER the recommendations of the Resources Committee meeting held on 8th January 2025, including consideration of the Council's Accounts, including consideration of the Council's Bank Accounts, the payment of invoices, other financial proposals, quotes for work and financial summary of budgetary analysis and current project portfolio.
 - 6.1. To CONSIDER and RESOLVE the draft budget for 2025/2026
 - 6.2. To CONSIDER and RESOLVE the Precept for 2025/2026.
 - 6.3. To CONSIDER a request for Community Grant funding from Sport in Desford.
 - 6.4. To CONSIDER Quotes for the Parish Tree Survey Report 2025
 - 6.5. To NOTE and CONSIDER requests to be made of the Library Trustees regarding tenancy
- 7. To RECEIVE the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 6th January 2025 and an update on any applications received since that meeting.
- 8. To note correspondence received from Parishioners and Partners
 - 8.1. To CONSIDER a request for a Grant for Health and Safety items from Heritage
 - 8.2. Sewage on Stewards Jitty
 - 8.3. St Martins Bollards
- 9. To RECEIVE the Clerks report.

- 10. In light of the confidential nature of item 11, to CONSIDER exclusion of the Press and the Public in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.
- 11. To CONSIDER the recommendations from the Staffing Sub Committee
- 12. Information from Councillors (not for debate or decision).

Members of the public are always welcome to attend Council meetings.