



WOMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL MEETING of WOMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL Monday 22nd January 2024 at 7.00pm

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to the next Full Council Meeting of Wombourne Parish Council for the transaction of business as set out below.

The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Gravel Hill, Wombourne, WV5 9HA.

Rachael Wright

Mrs Rachael Wright
Clerk to the Parish Council
17th January 2024

AGENDA

1. **Apologies** – *to note any apologies received from Councillors*
2. **Declarations of Interest** – *Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in any item of business on the agenda. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest, as defined by regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Localism Act 2011*
3. **Presentation to Members from High Flyers** – *to present certificates to two Members from High Flyers for turning on the Christmas Lights in 2023*
4. **Public Participation** – *residents are invited to address the Parish Council during the public participation session. No member of the public may speak for more than five minutes in accordance with Standing Orders*
5. **Police report** – *to receive a report from South Staffordshire Police*
6. **Budget and Precept 2024/2025** – *to consider the recommendation from the Finance and General Purposes Committee and to agree the budget and precept for 2024/2025*
7. **Approval of Minutes** - *to approve the minutes of:*
 - a. The Parish Council Meeting on Monday 27th November 2023
8. **Report from Staffordshire County Council** – *to receive an update on news from Staffordshire County Council (County Councillor)*
9. **Reports from Members appointed to Outside Bodies** – *to receive reports from Members appointed to outside bodies:*

Outside Body	Councillor(s) appointed
Club at the Day Centre	Mark Evans
Locality Forum	Dan Kinsey
Wombourne Community Association	Martin Perry Daisy Tait

Wombourne Carnival Committee	Jan Evans Mary Roberts
Wombourne Charity Trustees	Mike Davies
Wombourne Best Kept Village	Dan Kinsey
Wombourne Retailers Liaison	Matt Powell Daisy Tait
Police Liaison	Ed Hughes Vince Merrick
Giggetty Action Group	Mike Davies Mark Evans Vince Merrick

10. **Parish Council Finances and Administration** – *to ratify payments, bank reconciliations and petty cash (if applicable) for November and December 2023*

11. **Planning applications** – *to note the submissions made to South Staffordshire Council in lieu of a meeting*

12. **Biodiversity Policy** – *to approve the policy*

13. **Annual Parish Meeting** – *to note the meeting will take place on Wednesday 24th April 2024 at 7.00pm in the Wodehouse Suite, as part of a Community Showcase Event. All Members are expected to attend*

14. **Correspondence** – *to review correspondence received for the Parish Council as follows:*

- a. Letter from Blakeley Heath Primary School in relation to their visit to the Council Chamber and requesting use of some litter pickers.
- b. Email from a resident in Apse Close regarding moving traffic offences, asking the Parish Council to confirm the following:
 - i. Does the Parish Council consider that the 7.5T Weight Restriction TRO is still required.
 - ii. If answer to Q.1 is Yes, how will the Parish Council resolve the dilemma of the apparent lack of action by the Police & a reluctance by the County Council to take on this important enforcement role.
 - iii. If the answer to Q.1 is Yes, will the Parish Council ask the County Council to amend the existing TRO to include Bumblehole Meadows & Clap Gate Road. This could be achieved by moving the entrance to the Zone to the junction of Pool House Road/Bridgnorth Road. There would be the added benefit of reducing street clutter by removing illuminated signs from Ounsdale Road near Woden Close, side roads off Pool House Road & at the junction of Clap Gate Road/Bratch Common Road.
 - iv. If the answer to Q.1 is No, will the Parish Council ask the County Council to revoke the existing TRO. All signs giving effect to the restriction could be removed but more Heavy Commercial Vehicles may start using the village roads resulting in more complaints from local residents.

15. **Meeting schedule:**

- a. Date of the next Full Council meeting: Monday 26th February 2024
- b. Dates for other meetings:
 - Monday 29th January 2024 – Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting at 7pm
 - Monday 5th February 2024 – Civic Centre Management Committee Meeting at 7pm
 - Monday 12th February 2024 – Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting at 7pm
 - Monday 19th February 2024 – Planning and Development Committee Meeting at 7pm

16. **Reminders:**

- a. The next Parish Summit at South Staffordshire Council's Offices will be held on Thursday 1st February 2024 – please let the Clerk know ASAP if you wish to attend
- b. The Joan Williams Civic Award will open for nominations on Thursday 1st February 2024 – please encourage nominations (deadline Friday 22nd March)

17. **Chairman's Closing Remarks** - *to receive the Chairman's closing remarks*