

# **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

**A meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7.30pm  
at Cold Ashby Village Hall.**

**Councillors are summoned to attend this meeting of the Parish Council.**

**Members of the public and press are invited to attend.**

## **Agenda**

**Present:** to record the presence of Cold Ashby Parish Councillors, Officers, members of external authorities and others in official attendance at the meeting.

**Interests:** Members' attention is drawn to the need to disclose pecuniary interests not already registered before any relevant agenda item.

**23.12.1 - Apologies:** to **receive and consider** apologies for absence.

**23.12.2 - Minutes:** to **approve** minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

**23.12.3 - Matters arising:** to **note for information only** any relevant matter arising from the approved minutes.

**23.12.4 - Open forum:** members of the public are invited to make representations in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Public participation shall not exceed 10 minutes and each member of the public is entitled to speak only once and for not more than 3 minutes.

**23.12.5 – Parish Council Noticeboard:** to consider any advertising requests.

**23.12.6 – Planning Application:**

**2023/7639/FULL Manor Farm, Bridle Lane, NN6 6EH.** Demolition of garage, storage shed & outbuildings and construction of a two-storey dormer roofed replacement building to provide a workshop & offices for a start up solar panel business under Use Class E (g). *Response deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> December.*

**23.12.7 – Accounts:** Members are asked to **approve** the attached accounts for December and **authorise** the payments contained in them. Details of payments and the new balance are reported in Annex 1, a copy of which will be emailed to members in advance of the meeting. The balance reported at the November meeting was **£24,119.66** (£15,446.17 current and £8,673.49 investment).

**23.12.8 – Microsoft 365:** Members are asked to **approve** the purchase of a Microsoft 365 license for the clerk to carry out Parish Council duties at £59.99 per year.

**23.12.9 - Memorial Inscription:** Members are asked to review the application for an additional inscription to an existing memorial.

**23.12.10 – Budget:** to **agree budget proposals** for 2024-2025 as a basis for the precept request. Annex 2 is a version of the actual spend vs. budgeted spend for 2023-2024, including expected expenditure and also includes the proposed budget numbers captured in the November meeting. The precept request, based on the final agreed figures, will be signed at this meeting.

**23.12.11 – January Parish Council Meeting:** Members are asked to consider the requirement for the January Parish Council meeting, Council did not meet in January 2023.

**23.12.12 - Grass Cutting Contract April 2024-November 2024:** Members are to confirm whether CAPC will manage the Grass cutting Apr-Nov 24. This will allow for quotations to be requested and reviewed in the February meeting.

**23.12.13 - VAS sign on West Haddon Road:** The VAS sign was damaged recently. Members are asked to agree next steps.

**23.12.14 – Environment:** to discuss and agree actions relating to any environment matters (public rights of way, community assets/spaces etc)

**23.12.15 - Verbal Reports:** from council representatives on other bodies.

**23.12.16 - Post:** to note and/or discuss items of correspondence with the Council not considered elsewhere on the agenda.

- WNC consultation on school admission arrangements for September 2025 intakes

<https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/school-admissions/school-admission-arrangements-2025/>

- West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) launched today (Tuesday, 28 November) the Stage One consultation for the Community Governance Review that will run until Wednesday, 31 January 2024. This consultation aims to seek views and proposals from residents, parishes, and stakeholders regarding existing parish boundaries, numbers of parish councillors, and potential changes to parishes.

- WNC will be collecting real Christmas trees on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January, you do not need a garden waste subscription to take advantage of this.

**23.12.17 - Bus Shelter:** members are asked to review the quotations for repair and agree next steps.



Natalie Heath 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023