



LAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: Cllr A Wilson (Chair), Cllr H Hallam, Cllr S Huggett, Cllr J Alford. You are hereby summoned to:

the Parish Council Meeting.

To be held at the Laughton Parish Small Hall Wednesday 21st February 2024 at 7.30PM

Meeting called by, Lynette Kemp, Clerk

Signed: *L Kemp*

Date: 14th February 2024

PARISHIONERS, OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, AND PRESS HAVE A RIGHT AND ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

The press and members of the public are reminded that they must remain silent when the meeting is in progress in accordance with The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

The members would kindly ask if you are feeling unwell to not attend the meeting. Thank you

Agenda

1. Public Session

The first fifteen minutes are available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda. The public are welcome to stay and **observe** the rest of the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

3. To accept the minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 10th January 2024.

4. Declarations of interest. To receive notices of declarations personal and prejudicial, in respect of items on this agenda.

5. Members to agree confidential items on the agenda for the exclusion of the press and members of the public.

6. East Sussex County Council and Wealden District Council reports

7. Co-option - to consider any applications for co-option

8. Councillor Resignation

- a) To **note** the resignation of Mike Massingham
- b) To **resolve** the appointment of a replacement Councillor to the Dangerous Traffic on Shortgate Lane Working Group

9. Planning and licence applications

a) Planning applications received

- i. **WD/2024/0077/LB** Laughton Place, The Old Castle, Cow Lane, Laughton BN8 6DA
Repairs to roof and walls including deep repointing, introduction of hood mouldings over windows, replacing roof access door, adding chimney pots, adding replacement

windows, internal application of insulating lime plaster, structural repairs to staircase and enlarging shower room window to create a fire exit door.

[Planning and Building Control - Wealden District Council](#)

ii. **WD/2023/3078/FR** Harbens Farm, Mill Lane, Laughton, BN8 6AJ

Part retrospective application for demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of replacement outbuilding to match scale, layout and appearance, for use as an annexe.

[Planning and Building Control - Wealden District Council](#)

b) Planning applications approved, refused, referred, withdrawn or appeals

i. **WD/2023/2756/LBR** Stone Cross Farm, Lewes Road, Laughton, BN8 6BN

Retrospective application for the alteration to existing bathroom due to extensive water leak and damage to bathroom and utility room below – **Refused**

ii. **APP/C1435/W/23/3328682** Land West of Church Lane, Laughton BN8 6AH - erection of 4 two storey dwellings with all necessary infrastructure – **Appeal allowed**

iii. **APP/C1435/Y/23/3321130 & APP/C1435/W/23/3321117** Home Farm, Lewes Road, Laughton, East Sussex, BN8 6BQ - The works proposed are the demolition of existing buildings as identified on the submitted plans and the conversion of the remaining buildings, including three curtilage listed buildings, to create four new dwellings and the erection of one new dwelling to include associated new vehicle parking and turning areas and driveways – **Appeals allowed**

c) Other planning matters – to discuss or note any other planning matters brought to the attention of the Parish Council.

d) Licence applications received.

10. Financial Matters – Authorisation of payments of accounts – To approve accounts for payment – (a schedule of receipts & payments will be presented at the meeting) – list of payments on separate sheet.

a) Bank reconciliation January - To approve

b) February payments - To approve

c) Direct Debits - To approve

11. ITEMS FOR DECISION AND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

11.1 - Village Maintenance

11.1.1 Ditches/Flooding

11.1.2 Bus shelters – to review the quotation and **agree** works required to the bus shelter on The Green. To receive an update on the works to be carried out on the bus shelter on the B2124 including the risk assessment for volunteers.

11.2 Rural Grass Cutting Options 2024/25 – To **resolve** the option for the coming year

11.3 Wealden District Council Draft Local Plan – To **form** a working group to consider the Draft Local Plan and report back to Laughton Parish Council

11.4 Community Engagement – To **agree** drop-in session dates

11.5 Dangerous traffic on Shortgate Lane – To **review** the draft community consultation document and **agree** next steps

11.6 Pelham Field/Playground

11.6.1 Goal/basketball hoop repair – To **note** completion of works

11.6.2 Playground reports – To receive an update from the Clerk

11.7 Defibrillator for the Parish – To receive an update from Cllr Alford

11.8 Community Speedwatch – To receive an update from the Clerk

11.9 Parish Emergency Plan – To receive an update from Cllr Alford

- 11.10 Laughton Fete** – To receive an update from the working group
- 11.11 Climate Literacy Course** – To receive a report from Cllr Alford
- 11.12 Cycle Rail/Rack at The Green, Laughton** – To receive an update from the Clerk.
- 11.13 Social Media** – To **resolve** the use of social media platforms, including Facebook
- 11.14 Action in rural Sussex – Housing Enabling Service** – to **note** recent correspondence and **resolve** Laughton Parish Council participation
- 11.15 Civility and Respect Pledge** – To receive an update from the Clerk regarding training.

11. REPORTS (by leave) NOT FOR DECISION