

SIMONSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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Members of Simonstone Parish Council are summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 9 May 2024 at St. Peters School Church Hall, Simonstone commencing at 7.00pm.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4 April 2024.**
- 3. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other registrable and non-registrable interests.**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary, and other registrable and non-registrable interest in respect of matters contained in the Agenda.

- 4. Public participation.**

This 15-minute session (time limit of 5 minutes per item/per person) provides members of the public an opportunity to indicate interests in an agenda item and put questions to the Parish Council. Such questions may be answered after the meeting or become an agenda item at a future Parish Council meeting.

ITEMS for DECISION/DISCUSSION:

- 5. Finance Report.**

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) to approve the:

- Accounts to date.
- Schedule of Payments as set out in the Report.
- Reconciliation of Receipts and Payments as shown in the Report.

- 6. Email and Website Hosting.**

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) seeking Members approval to implement bespoke email addresses and to change the Council's website and website hosting service provider.

- 7. Internet Banking.**

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) seeking Members approval to move to Internet banking and to switch to the Unity Trust Bank.

- 8. RVBC 50-Year Anniversary.**

Update from the Clerk updating Members on the 50-year anniversary of the establishment of Ribble Valley Borough Council and seeking approval to plant a Giant Redwood tree at a suitable location within the Parish.

- 9. Grant Requests.**

Verbal request from Cllr. Hampson asking Members to consider a grant request from Easi-Beats, a local banjo and ukelele band, based in Simonstone.

10. New bench.

Report of Cllr. Pollard (enclosed) asking Members to consider the purchase of new bench to be installed at Fort Vale.

ITEMS for INFORMATION:

11. Update on waste bins requirements.

Verbal update from the Cllr. Duckworth.

12. Scoping document for Electric Vehicles.

Report of Cllr. Duckworth updating members on the provision of EV charging points.

13. Parish Plan.

Verbal update from the Working Group (Cllrs: Duckworth, Hampson, and Norse).

14. Festive lights.

Update report (enclosed) by Cllrs. Vaughton and Norse.

15. Lengthsman vacancy.

Verbal update from Cllrs: Pollard and Duckworth.

16. Planning Report.

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) for members to consider planning matters since the previous meeting.

17. Installation of a new noticeboard.

Verbal update from Cllr. McKelvey.

18. Borough Councillor Report.

Report of Cllr. Malcolm Peplow.

19. Latest Crime Figures.

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) updating Members on the latest Parish crime statistics.

20. External Meetings.

Report (enclosed) from the Parish Council Liaison Meeting.

21. PROW and Kissing Gate Installation.

Verbal update by Cllr. Pollard

22. Consideration of matters not on the agenda.

An opportunity for members to provide updates, raise matters and suggest items for future meetings.

Future Meetings:

- Annual Parish Meeting - 30 May 2024 starting at 18:30.
- Annual Meeting of the Parish Council – 30 May 2024 starting at 19:00.

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