

# Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council

## MENDIP DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

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To: Councillors M Corney (Chairman), V Curtis, M Francis, F Green, A Hucker (Vice Chairman).

**You are summoned to attend an electronic meeting of the Parish Council which will be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm.** The business to be dealt with is set out below.

*Jenny Howell*  
04/03/2021

### *JOINING INSTRUCTIONS:*

You are invited to a scheduled Zoom meeting which you can access online from <https://us02web.zoom.us/>

Simply click on 'Join a meeting' and enter the following meeting ID and password.

Meeting ID: 857 9155 0467 Password: 01373 OR you may prefer to dial in by telephone 0203 481 5240

**All participants should mute microphones when not talking to enable the efficient running of the meeting.**

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public and press are entitled to attend the meeting unless the Parish Council by resolution enters confidential session. Within this public session, members of the public may make representations, ask, and answer questions and give evidence on any matter affecting or of concern, by addressing the Chairman. *Members of the public are requested to raise any matter during this session as the rest of the meeting is not open to public participation.*

## **AGENDA**

### **1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

To consider any apologies for absence.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To DECLARE interests, RECEIVE written dispensation requests for items of disclosable pecuniary interest and GRANT requests where appropriate. *Under the Parish Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464.*

### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Recommended: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 are approved as a correct record and agreement given for them to be signed by the Chairman.

### **4. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

### **5. REPORTS**

- a. To RECEIVE the District Councillor's report.
- b. To RECEIVE a report/update from the Chairman.
- c. To RECEIVE the Clerk's report. To include:
  - Parish Council website & speeding – information from the Police: <http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/SpeedingQuestions>
  - Correspondence – Public right of way enquiry.
  - Correspondence - Fly the Flag for Somerset Day.
  - Correspondence – Post Office grant enquiry.
  - Police: Mendip East Newsletter – March 2021.

- Mendip District Council: Calendar of Public Meetings 2021-2022.
- SALC: Local public rights of way network.

## 6. **PLANNING**

- To note any planning decisions from MDC.
- To consider the following Planning Applications:

Planning Application	Location	Proposal
2021/0405/HSE	Mulberry House, High Street, Faulkland	Retrospective application to regularise position property curtilage.

- Norton St Philip Neighbourhood Plan  
Publication of further modifications to the Norton St Philip Neighbourhood Plan. Comments are invited on the proposed further modification. The consultation will run between Wednesday 3rd March 2021 and Wednesday 14th April 2021. Documents are available on the Council's website [www.mendip.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning](http://www.mendip.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning) or available to view at the following locations:

## 7. **POST BOX TURNER'S TOWER**

Request for the post box to be replaced. Update: Royal Mail are investigating.

## 8. **HIGHWAYS**

- Measures to tackle speeding in the parish  
Actions in hand:
  - Meeting request with Neighbourhood Policing Team: PC Toni Lines and PCSO Daniel Beck.
  - To receive a report from the Chairman: latest AutoSpeed Watch data.
- Lorries in Laverton  
This relates to email correspondence to Somerset County Council copying in the Parish Council reference lorries in Laverton. Chairman liaising with point of contact at Norton St Philip.

## 9. **TREE PLANTING INITIATIVE**

Order withdrawn due to the late spring delivery (resolved February 2021 PCM). Please note: The Parish Council will need to re-apply for Autumn delivery. Application window for November deliveries from late-April (and it will remain open until late-August).

## 10. **FINANCES**

- To APPROVE the payment schedule for March 2021.

Cheque	Paid to	Amount
1180	Mrs J Howell Basic pay, phone, work from home expense, printer ink. Zoom professional.	£303.78
1181	Faulkland Village Hall Committee VillageGuard insurance for Faulkland Village Hall (1/6/20 - 31/5/21)	£691.99
1182	Savills Faulkland Playing Field rental 25/03/2021 - 24/03/2022	£125.00
<b>Total payments for March 2021</b>		<b>£1,120.77</b>

- To RECEIVE and APPROVE the latest financial statement. (*Bank reconciliation to 31/02/2021 - £8,600.58*).
- To note VAT refund.

## 11. **INTERNAL AUDIT**

To note arrangements for the 2020/21 internal audit.

## 12. **GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT**

To consider a quotation from Idverde for the 2021/22 financial year (options of 1, 2 or 3yr contract supplied).

13. **VILLAGE CLEAN UP DAY – MARCH 2021**  
To consider plans for the Village Clean Up Day, with support from MDC who provide bags etc and arrange the pick-up of the rubbish bags. (Decision deferred from previous PCM due to Coronavirus).
14. **SOMERSET UNITARISATION**  
Residents and businesses in Somerset are currently served by a two-tier system of local government. Somerset County Council is responsible for services such as adult and children's social care, maintaining roads and libraries, and the District Councils – Mendip, Sedgemoor, Somerset West and Taunton and South Somerset - are responsible for services such as rubbish collection, housing and planning and environmental health. The Secretary of State received two proposals from councils in Somerset:
- The four district councils - Mendip, Sedgemoor, Somerset West and Taunton and South Somerset – jointly submitted a proposal for two unitary councils: Eastern Somerset comprising the area covered by Mendip and South Somerset District Councils and Western Somerset comprising area covered by Sedgemoor and Somerset West & Taunton District Councils. Somerset County Council submitted a proposal for a single unitary council for the area of Somerset County. You can respond to one or both proposals.
- Secretary of State is required to consult on proposals and views are invited by of all those interested in these proposals, including local residents, town and parish councils, businesses and the voluntary sector.
- Please use the link <https://consult.communities.gov.uk/governance-reform-and-democracy/somerset/> to respond to the consultation, or you can email your response to the questions in this consultation to [unitaryconsultation@communities.gov.uk](mailto:unitaryconsultation@communities.gov.uk)
15. **MENDIP LOCAL PLAN PART II: Sites and Policies**  
Consultation on Additional Main Modifications  
The consultation will be open from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February and close at 5pm Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021.
16. **CENSUS 2021**  
To raise awareness of the census which will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021. It is a once-in-a-decade opportunity to gather a detailed 'snapshot' of the population of Somerset and its characteristics. The information collected is used in planning and funding local services in our area, such as health, education, and transport. You can find out more here: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKONS/bulletins/2c0a642>
17. **SOMERSET'S NEW JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA)**  
**Somerset: Our County 2019/20**  
To note the JSNA. You can find out more here: <http://www.somersetintelligence.org.uk/jsna/>
18. **CORONAVIRUS**  
Latest advice / information.
19. **INFORMATION / ITEMS TO RAISE FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING**  
This item must be information only. Any matter that requires a decision must be set as an agenda item for the following meeting.
20. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  
To NOTE the date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 7.30pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.