

Crowhurst

PARISH COUNCIL



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Monday 21st February 2022 at

7.30pm at Crowhurst Village Hall, Forewood Lane, Crowhurst.

Members of the press and public are welcome.

15 February 2022

Deborah Upton

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Clerk to Crowhurst Parish
Council

1.	PUBLIC QUESTIONS:
	AGENDA
2.	MEETING ATTENDANCE: a) Present b) Acceptance of Apologies for Absence c) Absent
3.	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: To receive any declaration by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as personal, pecuniary, or prejudicial under the Code of Members Conduct.
4.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of Crowhurst Parish Council held on 17 January 2022
5.	MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED IN THIS AGENDA: To note the actions undertaken on the matters arising from previous meetings which are not covered in this agenda or the clerk's report (appendix 1).
6.	CASUAL VACANCIES: The Council has two casual vacancies, which have been advertised to parishioners through a leaflet drop through doors and in the Crowhurst News. The Council is asked to consider any further action needed.

	<p>RESOLVE: That the Council consider any further action to be taken.</p>
7.	<p>GRANT FOR SOLAR WIND FARM IN CROWHURST</p> <p>To receive a presentation from Richard Watson regarding a potential grant application for a solar wind farm in Crowhurst.</p>
8.	<p>REPRESENTATIONS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. District Councillor Gary Curtis ii. County Councillor Kathryn Field <p>Resolve: To note the reports.</p>
9.	<p>FINANCIAL REPORTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To review the financial report to 31 January 2022 (appendix 2). Members will note that the Council is likely to spend most of its budget by the end of the financial year and there is only a small surplus forecast. b) The payments report for January 2022 is attached (appendix 3) for consideration. <p>Resolve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To note the finance report b) To approve the payments for February 2022
10.	<p>GRANTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The Parish Council gave a grant to Crowhurst Youth Club to enable it to run workshop sessions over the summer period. They were asked to report on their outcomes, and this is attached (appendix 4). (b) Crowhurst Pre-School have made an application for a grant of £2953 to support them with their increased running costs, staff training and a new laptop. Their grant application is attached (appendix 5).
11.	<p>RECREATION GROUND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To receive an update from Councillors on their monthly inspections. b) The Council's appointed contractor for the Recreation Ground lighting project has advised that he is no longer able to proceed with the work. The Clerk has approached the other tenderers and asked them for revised quotes in time for discussion at the meeting. c) The Council has been asked whether it would consider planting a community orchard in the picnic area, with support and funding from the Groundwork Green Team. They have £2820 available towards materials and tools, plus would provide free time to develop the initiative. d) The Horticultural Society celebrates its 50th year this year, and it would like to donate a tree to the village, to be sited on the Recreation Ground (or possibly another site). They would like it to have a plaque attached to confirm the anniversary and to be a memorial to former members. <p>Resolve:</p>

	<p>a) To note the recreation ground update</p> <p>b) To note that the contractor can no longer carry out the works and to receive an update from the Clerk (if any) on alternative quotes</p> <p>c) To agree whether to plant a community orchard with support from Groundwork</p> <p>d) To agree whether to allow a tree to be donated and planted on the Recreation Ground by the Horticultural Society</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING:</p> <p>a) To consider the following planning applications: -</p> <p>RR/2021/3019/P - Bynes Farm, Royal Oak Lane, Crowhurst TN33 9BY. Change of use: former farm office to single holiday let</p> <p>RR/2021/3003/P – Oakleigh, 6 Woodland Way, Crowhurst TN33 9AP. Proposed extension and conversion of existing garage building to create annexe/overspill ancillary living accommodation.</p> <p>b) Rother District Council has made two temporary Tree Preservation Orders (TPO) (appendix 7) in respect of: -</p> <p>(i) Southmead, Swainham Lane (TPO416)</p> <p>(ii) Kilbarry, Crowhurst Road (TPO415)</p> <p>The Council is asked whether it will support these TPOs being made permanent and write to Rother District Council with this request.</p> <p>Resolve:</p> <p>a) To provide comments on the planning applications for submission to Rother District Council</p> <p>b) To agree whether it wishes to support the temporary TPOs and to request Rother District Council to make them permanent</p>
<p>13.</p>	<p>HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY: -</p> <p>a) 20's Plenty Campaign. At its meeting in December, the Council agreed to submit a Motion to ESCC, advising them that we support the '20's Plenty' campaign through Crowhurst village. We have now received a response from the Assistant Director – Communities (appendix 8).</p> <p>b) Parish Councillors met with ESCC Highways team to discuss issues of concern which had been raised in the village. A copy of the Minutes of that meeting is attached (appendix 9).</p> <p>c) Definitive Map Modification Order. The Council has received notification from ESCC that they do not intend to modify the definitive map to add a further public footpath at Monkham Wood. A copy of the ESCC report is attached (appendix 10). The Clerk has asked ESCC to advise when they originally notified the Parish Council of the application, to ensure that the Parish Council had the opportunity to comment.</p> <p>d) Adams Farm pathway. The Council is asked to consider a proposal regarding the railway cutting adjacent to the Adams Farm pathway.</p> <p>Resolve:</p>

	<p>a) The Council is asked to note the response from the Assistant Director - Communities.</p> <p>b) The Council is asked to note the Minutes and decide how it wishes to deal with those actions which are for consideration by the Council.</p> <p>c) The Council is asked to note the Report of ESCC.</p> <p>d) The Council is asked to consider a proposal for the railway cutting adjacent to the Adams Farm pathway.</p>
14.	<p>COUNCILLOR UPDATES ON EXTERNAL BODIES:</p> <p>a) Rother Association of Local Councils (RALC) update (Chair)</p> <p>b) Village Hall Management Committee (Cllr. Thomas)</p> <p>c) Climate & Ecological Emergency Working Group (Cllr. Ms. Plato) including Crowhurst Warmer Homes</p> <p>d) Neighbourhood Plan Design Task Group (Cllr. Mrs. Day)</p> <p>e) 1066 Steering Group (Cllr. Ms. Plato/Cllr. Thomas)</p> <p>Resolve: To note the updates and agree any further actions.</p>
15.	<p>CLERK'S REPORT:</p> <p>To receive any updates that are not already reported on the agenda.</p> <p>Resolve: To agree and authorise any required actions.</p>
16.	<p>INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS:</p> <p>Members are asked for future agenda items</p> <p>Resolve: To provide any suggested items</p>
17.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING:</p> <p>To note that the next meeting of the Council will be Monday 21st March 2022</p>
	CLOSE OF MEETING