**Great Bentley Parish Council**

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**Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting taking place at The Village Hall Plough Road Great Bentley Colchester CO7 8LG** **on Thursday 1st June 2023 at 7:00pm for the purpose of transacting the following business:**

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

Signed

Jennifer Spear

Clerk Responsible Financial Officer to the Council 25th May 2023

**AGENDA**

**06.56.23 To Receive and approve any Apologies of Absence**

**06.57.23 To Receive any declarations of Interest.**

**06.58.23 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting from the 06th April 2023 meeting (previously circulated) to be approved and signed.**

**06.59.23 Public Participation session with respect to items on the Agenda and matters of mutual interest (time limited to 15 minutes)**

**06.60.23 Clerk’s Report**

a) To note report circulated prior to the meeting and answer any questions

b) VAS Sign Update

**06.61.23 Finance**

a) To review the monthly financial bank reconciliation

b) To approve final payments for June in accordance with the 2022/23 budget – please see attached payments list

c) To note receipts: £89.16 Office Rent Pre School

 £88.54 Bank Interest

**06.62.23 To discuss looking into getting the flag pole serviced and repaired**

**06.63.23 To discuss the hedge being cut back at the original Allotment site.**

*Budget – Allotment Repairs & Maintenance £1500 (spent £6 this year and £350 last year)*

**06.64.23 To Discuss and agree to any comment on the North Falls Offshore Wind Farm, statutory consultation.**

**06.65.23 Update on the Football Club meeting and any actions arising** *(please note the meeting is taking place on the 30th May so the details will be provided at the meeting).*

**06.66.23 To discuss The Forge Easement proposal**

**06.67.23 To discuss any updates in regard to the South Side Track**

a) To arrange a meeting of the Southside Track Working Group

**06.68.23 To discuss and agreed the Top 10 Highway Defects to be submitted to Cllr. A. Goggin***(please submit these to the clerk prior to the meeting).*

**06.69.23 To discuss purchasing 30mph stickers for resident’s wheelie bins in the village**

**06.70.23 To discuss amending the Standing Orders to reflect that the running time of the monthly parish council meeting be extended from 2 hours to 2.5 hours.**

**06.71.23 Refurbishing the Village Sign**

To discuss if the council want to go ahead and get a full quotation with the approximate cost being quote at £1700 + VAT

**06.72.23 Street Lighting**

a) To discuss getting quotations from our contractors and the power company to replace the 4 fibre glass columns *(New installations £3000 in EMR)*

b) To discuss getting quotations to replace the remaining 8 SOX and 2SONT lamp heads *(Call outs & repairs - £1800 in budget for this year - £1709 spent last year, 1 call out made no invoice received yet)*

**06.73.23 The Environmental Working Group**

a) To note the report from the Environmental Working Group

**06.74.23 To Discuss the proposed Communication Strategy Draft**

b) As part of the communication strategy to discuss having a Great Bentley Parish Council Logo

**06.75.23 Cricket Club Ground Maintenance**

a) To discuss allowing the Cricket Club to use machinery to clear away grass cuttings after it has been cut by our contractor.

**06.76.23 Planning/Housing**

**To discuss and agree any comments for the following planning applications:**

a) 23/00670/FULHH, Wayside The Green Great Bentley

Proposed two storey rear extension, single storey side extension and entrance canopy.

b) [23/00719/FUL](https://idox.tendringdc.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=RUWTC9QB0MT00), Land adjacent to Moor Lodge Moors Close Great Bentley Essex

Proposed construction of 2no. 4 bedroom detached houses with double detached garages.

**06.77.23 Reports from District and County Councils** (ECC Alan Goggin, TDC Lynda McWilliams)

**06.78.23 Council Reports:**

**a)Footpath report**

Circulated prior to the meeting

**b)Caretaker’s Report**

Circulated prior to the meeting

**06.79.23 Highways & Transport Reports:**

Circulated prior to the meeting

**06.80.23 Training/Events**

a) Reports on attended events

b) Nominations for new events

**06.81.23 Information Exchange/Items for next agenda**

**06.82.23 To discuss the date of the next Finance Committee meeting**

**06.83.23 To confirm date of the next Parish Council Meeting**

The next Council meeting is booked for 7:00pm on Thursday 06th July 2023.

**06.84.23 Public Open Forum** (Maximum 10 minutes)