

Parish Council Members are Summoned to an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council  
to be held on Wednesday 9th September 2020 at 7.30 p.m in Brightling Village Hall

Clerk/RFO: Gilly Lowe

Date: 1st September 2020

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## A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence
2. Disclosures of interest  
To receive any disclosure by Members of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the personal interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.
3. Additional agenda items  
To consider such other items as the Chairman decides are urgent and due notice of which has been given to the Clerk by 12 Noon on the day preceding the meeting.
4. Adoption of minutes  
To confirm the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 8th July 2020 as a true and correct record.
5. Open Forum
  - 5.1 To receive verbal reports on any matters to which RDC or ESCC councillors wish to speak
  - 5.2 To receive verbal representations on any agenda items to which members of the public wish to speak.
6. Finance and Governance
  - 6.1 RFO report
    - 6.1.1 To receive the bank reconciliation to 31st August 2020
  - 6.2 Receipts and payments
    - 6.2.1 To approve the schedule of receipts and payments for the months of July and August 2020.
    - 6.2.2 To approve the following payment:

The salary increase for the clerk for the year 2020/'21 according to the Pay Award scale issued by NALC (previously circulated by email). The increase will apply from April 2020 and the corresponding backdated one-off payment of £42.00 will cover the last 5 months. The new hourly rate will be £10.44 p/hr.

**6.3 Governance**

6.3.1 To receive an updated Register of Members' Interests from Cllr Wrenn

**7. Consultation on the planning system**

Brightling's response

**8. Rother's District Local Plan Update**

8.1 Early engagement from parish councils – Brightling's response

8.2 Settlement Studies – assistance from local councils required

*Discussion and approval for submission of the completed survey previously circulated to all councillors by the Clerk.*

**9. Brightling Environmental Strategy – an update**

**10. Grass cutting programme – an update**

**11. Community and Business Development**

11.1 Broadband - *Cllr Wedmore*

11.2 Crime, anti-social behaviour, police relationships - *Cllr Croft*

11.3 Defibrillators - *Cllr Croft*

11.4 Footpaths and Bridleways - *Cllr Lambert-Gorwyn*

11.5 Highways, Hedges & Potholes - *Cllr Petty*

11.6 Phone Box - *Cllr Oxenford*

11.7 Trees - *Cllr Lambert-Gorwyn*

11.8 Utilities - *Cllr Lambert-Gorwyn*

11.9 Refuse Collection - *Cllr Croft*

11.10 Village Hall - *Cllr Oxenford*

11.11 Website - *Cllr Wedmore*

11.12 Welcome Packs - *Cllr Oxenford*

**12. Planning Matters**

12.1 RR/2020/1055/P and RR/2020/1056/L

Becket House, Brightling

*Planning permission granted*

12.2 RR/2020/599/P

Land to the rear of Fir Tree Cottage, Netherfield

*Planning permission refused*

13. Training

No current proposals

14. Parish Councillors' Forum

15. Information for Councillors / Future Agenda Items

Save the Date "Rother Parish Conference on Climate Change"

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 3pm via Zoom

*Draft programme circulated via email – more information to follow*

16. Future Meetings

16.1 The next meeting of the parish council will be in Brightling Village Hall at 7.30pm.

16.2 The following are the remaining dates for council meetings in the current council year:

2020: 11th November

2021: 13th January, 10th March, (14th April Annual Assembly), 12th May (AGM)