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To Members of the Public: You are hereby invited to attend a Meeting of Audlem Parish Council to be held on **Monday 10th October 2022 at 7.00pm.**

PLEASE NOTE the meeting will be held in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE**

Dr Kate Howe – Locum Clerk
(Agenda published 3rd October 2022)

AGENDA

PART 1

22/61 Apologies for absence

22/62 Public participation

The Parish Council will consider requests from members of the public to address the meeting. However, it is at the Chair's discretion whether requests will be granted to discuss items of business on the agenda and/or relevant Parish matters. If invited to speak, individual members of the public will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. No decision can be made on these matters but they may be placed on a future agenda.

22/63 Declarations of Interest

To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

22/64 Requests for Dispensation

To receive requests for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

22/65 Confirmation of Minutes

Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on **12th September 2022**

22/66 Planning Matters

New applications

Report from Chair of Planning Group.

- a) Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to approve the following responses made by the Locum Clerk by delegated authority to Cheshire East Planning Team. Three applications were considered where there was **no objection**:
- 22/3446N Sweetbriar Cottage, Damson Lane, Cox Bank, CW3 0EU
 - 22/3467N 3 Holly Bank, Audlem CW3 0LF
 - 22/3491N Kynsal Cottage, Paddock Lane, Audlem, CW3 0DP
- b) **22/3550N** - 11c-11d, Cheshire Street, Audlem, Cheshire East, CW3 0AH. The proposal is to change from A1 Class (retail shop) to class A3 (restaurant). Chair will report to Council on Planning Group meeting held on 6th October to discuss this application and Planning Group advice to Council on response.

22/67 Financial Matters

Chair of Finance Committee will report on following matters:

- 22.67 (a) Councillors are requested to **note the Draft Scheme of Delegation** currently being produced by the Finance Committee.
- 22.67 (b) Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE to give retrospective approval to payments made** (via ChALC) from September 9th to 30th September 2022 (as schedule circulated) authorised by the Clerk using delegated authorities (since APC September meeting) due to urgent business need.
- 22.67 (c) Councillors are requested to **note that**:
- 1) Cllrs: Tim Lawton (Finance Committee Chair), Geoff Seddon (Finance Committee Vice Chair), and Ralph Warburton have been added as **signatories to the new Lloyds bank account**.
 - 2) Cllrs. Tim Lawton and Derek Winskill have been added as **digital signatories to the new Lloyds bank account**.
- 22.67 (d) Councillors are requested to note work currently in progress on **identifying budget savings and producing accurate budget projections for remaining financial year** (October 2022 to end March 2023) and for **year 2022-23**.
- 22.67 (e) Councillors are requested to note that the accounts and **annual governance and accountability return** was submitted to the external auditor on 15th September 2022.
- 22.67 (f) Councillors are requested to **note that the public rights notice for inspection of annual governance and accountability return** was published on 3rd October, commences on 3rd October, and closes on 11th November.

- 22.67 (g) Councillors are requested to **note the schedule for quarterly Finance Committee** meetings agreed as December 2022, March / June/ September 2023.
- 22.67 (h) Councillors are requested to note that on behalf of Audlem PC the Finance Committee are seeking **loan facilities to cover the projected overspend** against the remaining half year precept.

22/68 Staffing Matters

Report from Chair of Staffing Committee on meeting held on 28th September and updates on:

- (a) Lengthsman Job Description
- (b) Lengthsman Contract
- (c) Lengthsman Health & Safety Guidance (Risk Assessment & Method Statement) and training
- (d) Pension non-compliance notification for previous Lengthsman

22/69 Turnpike Field

To receive Report from Chair of Turnpike Field Working Group meeting held on 3rd October 2022. And updates on:

- (a) Appointment of Peter Morgan as tree warden
- (b) Review of most recent tree survey and costs to produce updated survey within this financial year

22/70 Village Management

To receive Report from Chair of Village Management Group and updates on:

- (a) Parking bays in Cheshire St Car Park

22/71 Community Police

To receive an update from the Police Community Support Officer

22/72 Report by Ward Councillor

To receive an update from Cheshire East Councillor Rachel Bailey

22/73 Office Matters

To receive brief update from Locum Clerk

22/74 Items for Future Agenda

- **Siting of Notice Board**
- **Future Dates for Village Surgery**

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate nor decision making.

22/75 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 14th November 2022** in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE**

22/76 Part 2 Exclusion of Press & Public

At this point the Council will ask that the press and public be excluded from the meeting

during consideration of an item pursuant to Section 100 (A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2

Finance

Report from Finance Committee Chair who will update Councillors on the position of the Council's Finances