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To Members of the Council: You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Audlem Parish Council to be held on **Monday 12th December 2022 at 7.00pm** in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE**

Dr Kate Howe – Locum Clerk
(Agenda published 5th December 2022)

AGENDA

22/94 Apologies for absence

22/95 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.

22/96 Declarations of Interest

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

22/97 Requests for Dispensation

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

22/98 Confirmation of Minutes

Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on **14th November 2022**

22/99 Co-option of Councillors

- a) Due to 2 councillor resignations following last Council meeting. Councillors are asked to retrospectively **RESOLVE** to co-opt 5 additional councillors to Audlem Parish Council until re-election in May 2023.

- b) Councillors are asked to consider the 3 co-option applications received and circulated to fill the current casual vacancies. Having interviewed applicants attending, considered merits of appointing each and voted, Councillors are asked to **RESOLVE** to approve selected applicant(s) be co-opted as members of the Council.

22/100 **Planning Matters**

No new planning applications reported since last meeting

Update on current applications:

- 21/5453N Spout Farm, Longhill Lane - Proposed rear extensions, internal re-modelling and external reconfiguration. Approved following amended plans.
- 22/3467N 3 Holly Bank - Demolition of existing conservatory to allow single story rear extension. Approved.

22/101 **Financial Matters**

- 22.101(a) Councillors are asked to elect and **RESOLVE** to appoint new member of Finance Committee
- 22.101(b) Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to give retrospective approval to payments made (via ChALC) from November 11th to 9th December 2022 (as schedule circulated) authorised by the Clerk using delegated authorities (since November meeting) due to urgent business need.
- 22.101(c) Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to suspend the grant programme for 2022-23 and forthcoming programme for 2023-24 due to financial challenges.
- 22.101(d) Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to approve the draft budget (identifying budget savings and accurate budget projections for remaining financial year as recommended by Finance Committee (December 2022 to end March 2023)
- 22.101(e) Councillors are requested to consider the draft budget 2023/24 as recommended by Finance Committee
- 22.101(f) Councillors are requested to consider the estimated precept as recommended by the Finance Committee based on the draft budget 2023/24
- 22.101(g) Councillors are requested to **NOTE** actions being taken on reclamation of VAT
- 22.101(h) Councillors are requested to consider and **RESOLVE** to approve an Amendment to the Scheme of Delegation

22/102 **Communications Group**

Councillors are asked to **NOTE** the release of two public statements:

- a) Re-opening of Public Toilets
- b) Moving On

22/103 **Staffing Matters**

Report from Chair of Staffing Committee on progress:

- (a) Lengthsman Job Description, contract and outstanding issues
- (b) Recruitment of Permanent Parish Clerk

22/104 Turnpike Field

To receive Report from Chair of Turnpike Field Working Group meeting held on 5th December.

22/105 Village Management

- a) Councillors are asked to elect and **RESOLVE** to appoint one additional member and to appoint new Chair of Village Management Group
- b) Councillors are asked to **NOTE** verbal updates on

- public toilets: repair, re-opening, insurance claim (withdrawn)
- Cotton Mews Tree Survey
- Bellyse Monument
- flooding at Corbrook and Swanbach
- Action on Audlem Highways

22/106 Police

To receive an update from the Police or Community Support Officer (if available)

22/107 Report by Ward Councillor

To receive an update from Cheshire East Councillor Rachel Bailey

22/108 Office Matters

To receive brief update from Locum Clerk

22/109 Items for Future Agenda

None notified

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.

22/110 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 9th January 2023** in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE**