

Cotton End Parish Council

To: All Parish Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of Cotton End Parish Council to be held **at Cotton End Baptist Church Hall on Thursday, 10th March 2022 commencing at 7.30pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Members of the Public and Press are invited to attend.

Linda Carter,

Date: 6th March 2022

Clerk to Cotton End Parish Council

Tel: 07592 471859

AGENDA

21/115 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

21/116 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Members should disclose any interests in the business to be discussed.

21/117 PUBLIC SESSION

(Members of the public are invited to address the Council. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 3 minutes. Members of the public should address their representations through the chairman of the meeting.)

21/118 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

An opportunity for the Borough Councillor, if present, to update the Council and public on matters of local interest.

21/119 MINUTES

To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10th February 2021.

21/120 CO-OPTION TO FILL CASUAL VACANCY

Following the resignation of Mark Collins, the Council has a casual vacancy which it can co-opt to fill. An application has been received and circulated to Councillors for consideration.

21/121 FINANCE AND RELATED MATTERS:

a) To approve new payments as follows:

HMRC - March	£66.60
March Salary - Parish Clerk	£266.42 **
	<u>£330.02</u>

** includes 1.75% national salary increase backdated to 1/04/2021

The Clerk requests permission to set up payment of invoices arriving during March which need to be cleared for the year end.

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b) Clerks Salary

To Approve a contractual annual increment to the Clerk's Salary (Scale point 18) which is an increase of 0.26 pence per hour to £13.21.

21/122 REVIEW OF ASSET REGISTER.

The Council is required to review its Asset register on an annual basis. The register has been updated to show the new solar footpath lighting and the replacement dog waste bins. The relevant report is attached for consideration

21/123 PLAY AREAS

To consider matters associated with the play areas and open space.

- 1) Playground inspection reports
- 2) Ditch clearance.
- 3) Safety Surfacing replacement.
- 4) Trow Close Play area
- 5) Molehills

21/124 WILSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Wilstead Neighbourhood Plan is out for consultation until 14th April 2022.

The plan and its associated documents can be found here:

<https://www.bedford.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy-its-purpose/neighbourhood-planning/wilshamstead-neighbourhood-development-plan/>

21/125 CORRESPONDENCE

21/126 MATTERS FOR UPDATE, INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION

- 1) HIGHWAYS - Bunkers Drive, High Road drainage and Shocott Spring footpath repairs
- 2) Old School site
- 3) Village enhancement
- 4) Queen's Jubilee 2022

Date of next meeting – Thursday 14th April 2022.