

# BARTHOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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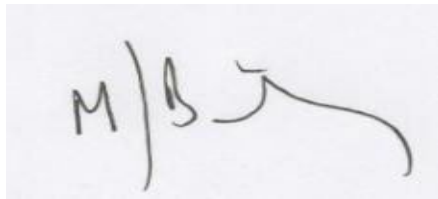
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## NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Parish Councillors are summoned to a meeting of the Parish Council

**DATE:** TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024  
**TIME:** 7.30 pm  
**VENUE:** BARTHOMLEY VILLAGE HALL, BARTHOMLEY  
CW2 5PL



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Issue: 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024

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Copies: Borough Councillors Steve Edgar/Alison Heler (Haslington)

**Note:**

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## AGENDA

### PART A

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies should be made to the Clerk before 6.00 pm on the meeting day.

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item. If declarations are not made at this point in the proceedings, they should be made as soon as the Member becomes aware of an interest. Whilst the Clerk can advise on the Code of Conduct and its interpretation, the decision to declare (or not) is the responsibility of the Parish Councillor, based on the circumstances of the matter in hand.

#### 3 MINUTES – 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

<https://barthomley-pc-org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Minutes-9th-July-2024-Meeting-v0.2.pdf>

#### 4 UPDATE ON MINUTES – REPORT OF THE CLERK

The Clerk will update the Council on matters from the minutes of the last meeting.

- Grids – Members noted that a report came from CEH that the grids were in an acceptable condition and that work had taken place on grids in the parish. Members reported issues with individual grids in the parish, which had been reported.
- White Lion Pub – it was reported that a planning application had been submitted to renovate the pub. Contact had been made with Cheshire East Planning regarding the planning application. It was reported that contact had been made with Fisher German about the mold on furniture in the building and the desire to store it somewhere else. In addition, Fisher German had been contacted about publicising the aim of the Trustees to retain the building as pub. In terms of planning, contact had been made with Cheshire East about the planning application – it was reported that a site visit had been made but no further information had been provided. Members **AGREED** to contact Heritage England regarding this matter. Cllr Horrocks also agreed to contact CAMRA for assistance. It was agreed to contact the Chair of the Planning Committee and the Head of Planning at Cheshire East Council. It was further agreed to contact the Trustees to inform them about various agreed actions.
- Smithy Lane Bridge – reported that the road is falling in - Members expressed their concern about the situation. It was noted that Cllr Edgar was asked whether verge markings could be put in place. A report has been made to Cheshire East Council.

- Parish Council Records – it was reported that Cllr Horrocks had obtained the records. It was agreed to examine options for the storage of the records.
- Rectory Drive – it was reported that contact had been made with the Chester Diocese about the issue of gravel causing flooding in the area.
- Smithy Lane West – the matter of the state of the road was reported to Cheshire East Council. The response from CEC suggested that no action would be taken. It was suggested that residents report the issues.
- Compact – contact made with Cheshire East Council – awaiting a response.
- Parish Council Plan 2024-25 – Members noted that the following areas had been agreed: -
  - Footpaths/highways – to deal with the issues facing the parish in partnership with Cheshire East and the Duchy.
  - Flower Box – to be located under the Village Hall noticeboard – it was reported that this had been done.
  - Wildflower Areas – to develop in the parish – ask Cheshire East not to mow certain areas.
  - Planting – to enhance the planting schemes and floral displays in the parish, including working with the PCC.
  - Signs – to get the signs re-painted in the parish.
  - Features – to look at maintaining the main features in the parish – e.g. work on the wall at Brookside Cottage. It was reported that work at Brookside Cottage on the wall will start in August 2024. Members also said that some tidying up of the area around the well could be undertaken.
  - Speeding/Traffic – to get signage and other devices in place – this was included on the agenda under Part B.
  - Community Life - to develop approaches to enhance and maintain the community

It was agreed to include these issues on future agendas.

- Footpaths – it was asked whether stiles be altered to be dog-friendly – it was agreed to contact the Public Rights of Way Officer about this.
- Signs – it was agreed that Cllr Clifford would pass on information to the Clerk
- Fingerposts – it was reported that these need to be done and various suppliers were suggested.
- Speed Indication Device – it was agreed to gather quotes for the purchase of a SID.
- Defibrillator – it was agreed to purchase a bleed kit for the defibrillator.

## **5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Members of the public can ask questions or address the Parish Council.

## 6 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following financial matters will be considered at the meeting.

### 6.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.24-30.6.24)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April-30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 is presented to Members for note.

<https://barthomley-pc-org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Barthomley-Parish-Council-Ledger-01.04.24-30.6.24.pdf>

### 6.2 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.24-31.7.24)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024-31<sup>st</sup> May 2024 is presented to Members for note.

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### 6.3 Budget Monitoring Report/Receipts and Payments Summary (Quarter One – 2024/25) (April-June 2024)

#### BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

<https://barthomley-pc-org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Budget-Mon-June-2024-04.09.24-BM.pdf>

#### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS SUMMARY

<https://barthomley-pc-org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Budget-Mon-June-2024-04.09.24-RP.pdf>

### 6.4 Internal Audit Report/External Audit 2023/24

A report on the 2023/24 Internal Audit will be presented to Members.

### 6.4 Authorisation of Payments

£265.20	Dr MJ Bailey – Clerk salary (August/September 2024)
£66.30	HMRC for months 5 and 6 of the tax year (2024-25)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Members are asked to approve the above payments.

## 7 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Borough Councillors S Edgar and A Heler to report on any Cheshire East Council matters of interest.

## 8 HIGHWAY MATTERS

The Parish Council is to receive an update on highway matters in the parish and/or affecting the parish.

## 9 PLANNING MATTERS

This is for the Parish Council to discuss any planning issues affecting the area.

- NBC Plans for AB2 Land at Junction 16 M6/A500 - Newcastle Local Plan Final Draft – Members are asked to make comments – link is <https://www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/localplan>

**10 COMMUNICATION/SHARED INFORMATION**

Members may share any other information, but formal decisions usually cannot be taken under this item. Several items are included for discussion as listed below. Members may raise additional items.

**11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 7.30pm – Barthomley Village Hall

## Notes

### 1) Members of the Public

The Parish Council welcomes and encourages members of the public to attend its meetings. You are requested to enter and leave quietly and to remain quiet during the meeting. Mobile phones and pagers should be switched off, and no food or drink should be brought into the meeting.

Members of the public are not able to participate in meetings but are able to ask questions or make a statement, prior to the start of the meeting. In addition, if you feel there is a matter which should be brought to the attention of the Parish Council you may contact the Clerk, the Chairman, or any member of the Parish Council, and arrangements can be made to place the item on the agenda for the next meeting, if appropriate.

On occasions, members of the press and public will be excluded from the meetings when the business to be transacted is of a confidential nature; for example, dealing with individual people, staffing matters, contracts, and financial affairs of other parties.

### 2) Parish Councillors

#### A) Notice of items

The Parish Council cannot lawfully decide any matter which has not been specifically included on the agenda, and there is case law to this effect (*Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119*).

B) Planning Grounds The grounds on which observations can be made on planning applications are as follows –

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|---|--|----|---|
| 1 | Development Plan in all its aspects  | 8  | Appropriateness of use taking account of local area |
| 2 | Government legislation and guidance  | 9  | Effect on highway safety                            |
| 3 | Siting   | 10 | Landscape   |
| 4 | Design   | 11 | Listed buildings                                    |
| 5 | External appearance  | 12 | Conservation areas                                  |
| 6 | Compatibility with street scene  | 13 | Land  |
| 7 | Development effect on neighbouring properties, contamination, amenities, and privacy | 14 | Flooding  |

#### Non-Relevant Matters

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| 1 | Matters controlled by other legislation | 6  | Business competition                                |
| 2 | Effects on private rights               | 7  | Personal circumstances – health/finance             |
| 3 | Provisions in covenants/deeds           | 8  | Ownership   |
| 4 | Effect on property values               | 9  | Moral issues  |
| 5 | Private opinions                        | 10 | Matters which might breach legislative requirements |

Note: If the Parish Council agrees, in principle, with an application, but not in all aspects, suggestions for “development conditions” can be made, in line with relevant factors.