

# Oswestry Rural Parish Council

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Ordinary Meeting of Oswestry Rural Parish Council will be held at Trefonen Village Hall commencing at 7 pm on Thursday **27 February 2025** and Members are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the following business.

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Signed by: Kathryn Lloyd CPFA The Clerk & RFO

Date of issue: 20 February 2025

#### AGENDA

## FILMING AND RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS AND THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 2018

Any person present at a Council meeting may not orally report or comment about a Council meeting as it takes place but otherwise may; film photograph, or make an audio recording of a meeting; use any other means for enabling persons not present to see or hear proceedings at a meeting as it takes place or later; report or comment on the proceedings in writing during or after a meeting or orally report or comment after the meeting. Anyone making a recording for non-domestic purposes is advised to seek advice on their obligations to ensure any processing of personal information complies with the Data Protection Act.

Anyone who objects to being filmed or recorded should notify the Clerk prior to the commencement of the meeting.

## 1. Chairman's Welcome

a) Chairman's engagements

# 2. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence and to approve reasons for absence if requested in writing by a councillor

### 3. Police Report

a)To receive a report from The Oswestry Safer Neighbourhood Team

# 4. Shropshire Council Report

To receive a report from Shropshire Councillor Joyce Barrow

# 5. Public Participation

In accordance with Standing Orders 3(e) members of the public may make representations, answer questions, and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda.

This does not include matters relating to the council's administration. Should anyone wish to discuss business which is not included on the agenda please write to the Clerk who will make arrangements for appropriate action.

#### 6. Minutes

a) To CONSIDER and APPROVE the minutes from a Parish Council meeting held on 30 January 2025 (appendix 6a)

NOTE: In accordance with Standing Order number 12(a)(b) draft minutes served on councillors shall be taken as read. There shall be no discussion about the draft minutes except in relation to their accuracy.

# 7. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests, Bias, and Pre-determination

In accordance with Section 29 of the Localism Act 2011 Members are personally responsible for deciding whether or not they should disclose an interest at this meeting. Where a matter arises at a meeting which relates to a Member's Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, they must disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion nor vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest,' Members do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that they have an interest. (Please refer to Appendix B in the Council's Code of Conduct).

Members are also reminded they should not make decisions with a closed mind and must declare a bias and not vote on matters where their decision could be considered to be pre-determined.

# 8. Dispensations

To consider and approve any requests for dispensations

## 9. Declaration of Acceptance of Gifts and Hospitality

To receive any declarations of acceptance of gifts and hospitality

## 10. Planning Matters

# a) Planning Decisions

To NOTE the following:

| Planning Application<br>Details                      | Planning Proposals                                 |
|--|--|
| 24/02960/FUL Pentre<br>Coed Farm, Maesbury           | Conversion of barns and erection of link extension |
| Road, Maesbury,<br>Oswestry, Shropshire,<br>SY10 8HB | Decision: Grant Permission                         |

## b) Planning Applications

To CONSIDER and APPROVE a response to the following February 2025 planning applications:

| Planning Application Details | Planning Proposals  |
|------------------------------|---|
| 25/00536/FUL                 | Construction of agricultural building to house farm machinery with lambing area |
| Sheron, Llanforda,           |   |
| Oswestry, Shropshire,        |   |
| SY10 7HJ.                    |   |

**NOTE:** Planning applications not listed above that are received after the issue of this agenda and included on Shropshire Council's website will also be considered to meet response timeframes.

## 11. Parish Councils' Collaboration

a) To CONSIDER an update on collaboration with other local Parish Councils (Cllr Martin Jones)

## 12. Clerk's Report

To receive and NOTE a report from the Clerk (appendix 12)

#### 13. Financial Matters

To CONSIDER and APPROVE:

- a) Income and expenditure for January 2025, I & E year to date balances and forecasted outturn position to 31 March 2025. (appendix 13ai, aii, aiii)
- b) Bank reconciliation to January 2025 (appendix 13b)
- c) Provisional Payments for February 2025

#### 14. Earmarked Reserves

a) To CONSIDER and APPROVE earmarking funds from the General Reserve to cover potential Judicial Review cases

#### 15. Annual Parish and Annual General Meeting Date

- a) To CONSIDER and AGREE the new date for the Annual Parish Meeting
- b) TO CONSIDER and AGREE a date for the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council due to the forthcoming election (To be within 14 days of the election and by 21 May 2025)

#### 16. Resignations and Vacancy

- a)To NOTE the resignation of Cllr Chris Woods.
- b)To AGREE to advertise the vacancy for Trefonen with Treflach in accordance legislation
- c) To CONSIDER and AGREE the appointment of a Councillor to the Cemetery Working Group to replace Cllr Chris Woods

#### 17. Purdah and Election

- a) To NOTE Purdah commences 10 March 2025 until The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council
- b) To NOTE Key election dates including the nominations process (To follow)

#### 18. Road Safety Group

a)To CONSIDER road safety issues on Llansylin Road and Stoney Road Treflach and AGREE any ACTIONS c)To CONSIDER a request from a resident for a 30mph speed restriction from Oswestry to Maesbury

# 19. Cemetery Working Group

a) To receive a verbal update from the Trefarclawdd Cemetery Working Group.

## 20. Environment Working Group

To receive an update from the Environmental Working Group

- a) Water Pollution (Cllr Iain Campbell)
- b) Trefarclawdd Farm and the Planning Application 24/03015/EIA (Cllr Martin Bennett)

# 21. Possible closure of Oswestry Post Office

a) To receive an update on the possible closure of Oswestry Psot Office (Cllr Martin Bennett)

# 22. Future Oswestry Group Meeting

a)To receive an update on the Future Oswestry Group Meeting (Cllr Martin Bennett)

### 23. Social Media

a) To receive an update on Social Media (Cllr Richard Fowler)

#### 24. Website

a) To receive an update on the Website and AGREE any ACTIONS (Cllr Richard Fowler)

#### 25. Newsletter

a) To receive any update from the Parish Newsletter Working Group and AGREE any ACTIONS (Cllr Martin Bennett)

## 26. Correspondence

- a) To note a thank you from Rebecca Greenham following receipt of The Tonys' Community Service Award glass trophy
- b) To CONSIDER an invitation from The Montgomery Canal Trust for a representative to attend the tree planting event being held on 22nd March 2025
- c) To NOTE a grant application from Rhydycroesau Village Hall for defibrillator pads
- d)To CONSIDER an email advising of a Morda resident's litter picking efforts (The Clerk)
- e)To NOTE nominations request to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 7 May 2025.

#### 27. Consultations

- a)The Vyrnwy Frankton Project Statutory Consultation
- b) SALC / SLCC Parish & Town Council Survey (for completion)

## 28. Date for Next Meeting

To NOTE that the next meeting will place on Thursday 27 March 2025 at Trefonen Village Hall

# **PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the above Act and due to the confidential nature of the following business to be transacted it will be PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the public and press should not be present

## 29. Planning Enforcement

a) To NOTE planning enforcement notifications received (The Clerk)