



Okehampton Hamlets Parish Council

To all Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Council to be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th December 2023 at The Links Room, Ockment Centre, Okehampton

Jane Gillard, Parish Clerk, dated 28 /11/2023

AGENDA

Members are reminded that a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda should be declared, with the reason, before the item is discussed.

1. Members of the Public – (maximum time limited to 3 minutes per person)

Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or to raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself. A question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.

2. Declarations of Interest -

3. Apologies –

4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 7th November 2023

5. Planning – to consider and agree response to applications listed below together with any others received up to date of this meeting.

5.1 WDBC 3323/23/HHO Householder application for proposed erection of two storey side extension 2 Fowley Barns, Tavistock Road, Okehampton – for noting following decision on Appeal

5.2 WDBC 2508/23/ HHO Householder application for proposed garden/art room (retrospective) 11 Watts Drive, Okehampton

5.3 WDBC 4440/20/OPA "Land Adjacent To Baldwin Drive", Radford Way, Okehampton, to note a valid Appeal has been lodged

6. DCC and WDBC – to consider the Councillors written reports/updates.

7. Neighbourhood Planning

7.1 to receive an update on joint Okehampton Neighbourhood Plan

8. To receive reports from meetings and events attended by Parish Council representatives including –
Wren Music Day Meldons Fields – Cllr Wood

9. Correspondence

9.1 Okehampton College – to consider letter requesting support re obtaining S106 funds for improved floodlighting at the College

9.2 DCC Priorities & Budget 2024/25 – invitation to attend meeting with John Hart, Dec 12th, Zoom 6 – 7.30 pm, agree attendees

10. Finance –

10.1 Accounts for payment –

Mrs J Gillard wages £560.27, travel £13.50	
Expenses £	£573.77
SLCC Membership renewal	£ 148.00
Mole Avon	£ 66.00
H E Pellow & Ptnrs (Hedgetrimming)	£ 30.00
Meldon Village Hall	£ 262.50
B Wood mileage (Apr- Nov 2022 inc miles On behalf of Clerk when unable to drive)	£ 180.90
B Wood (from Chairs allowance £66.50 StOC March 2022 & Coronation costs £30.45)	£ 96.95

10.2 2024/25 Budget – to consider initial thoughts for setting budget for coming year.

11. Environmental issues

11.1 Mud on highways, Crediton Road and Exeter Road Industrial Estate, to note any new issues

11.2 Odours East of Okehampton – to receive an update

12. Open Spaces.

12.1 To receive update from Working Group.

12.2 Old Town Park – to receive update on work undertaken by StOC on 24th November and agree work to be undertaken on next visits in early 2024

12.3 Old Town Park Local Nature Reserve information leaflets – to receive update

13. Updates on Flood Plan

14. Speedwatch – to receive update

15. D Day Celebrations 6th June 2024 – to receive an update and report from second meeting of Group

16. Economic Development Projects

16.1 Okehampton BID – to receive report from Cllr Wood & Clerk from meeting with Consultants

17. Councillor Training. To receive an update from Councillors who have attended recent training and confirm training planned

18. Community Governance (re proposed Boundary Changes) – receive an update from the Working Group and agree next steps

PART TWO

Items which may be taken in the absence of the press and public. The Council is recommended to pass the following resolution:- ‘Resolved that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as they involve the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information.’

19. To note current WDBC Enforcement cases list and information.

20. Open Spaces – to consider tenders received for tree inspections in Meldon Woods and Old Town Park Local Nature Reserve and appoint contractor to undertake surveys

21. Pay Review Scales and hourly rates – to note revised Nationally agreed payscales and agree payment of increased rates to Clerk including backdating of payments to April 2023

22. To confirm Date and venue of next meeting - Tuesday 2nd January 2024 at Meldon Village Hall, Okehampton
and to review dates of February and March meetings

Okehampton Hamlets Parish Council - Bank Reconciliation

Current account at 27/11/23			1749.62	
Deposit account at 30/10/23			56580.21	
		Total	£58329.83	
For info – funds received (inc in balances above)				
Less Unpresented cheques/payments				
			£58329.83	
Budget	Annual budget		45300	
	Year to date spend		22200	
	Unspent revenue against allocated budget		£ 23100	
Allocated Reserves	Election	3000.00		
	Cemetery purchase	500.00		
	Beating Bounds	250.00		
	General Reserve	24000.00		
	Equipment replacement	2000.00		
	Defibrillator replacement	450.00	30200	
		Total	£ 53300	