

Bobbington Parish Council

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE

Dear All, I hereby give you notice that the **Parish Council Meeting** of the **BOBBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **20th of September 2023 at 7.30 p.m. in the VILLAGE HALL, Bobbington**. All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the Meeting as set out hereunder.

Date: **13.09.2023**

Chloe Martin – Clerk to the Council

Agenda

16 To receive apologies for absence.

17 To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

18 To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19th of July 2023 (Appendix One)

19 Matters arising from the minutes: -

20 Churchyard capacity

21 Highway Matters

a. Flooding - a review of problem areas

i. The brook adjacent to the Glebelands,

ii. Six Ashes Road

iii. Church Road

22 Friends of Bobbington

23 Airfield Matters

24 Reports from Committee Representatives:

a. Corbett School

b. Bobbington Village Hall

c. Holy Cross Church

d. Community speed watch

e. Health and wellbeing

f. Crime report

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25 Public Question time

26 Finance: -

a. Cheques (to be detailed in the minutes)

Table of Payments	
Recipient	Payment Amount
Clerk Salary & Expenses (CM)	Salary £179.36 Expenses £24.30 (Cheque Total: £203.66)
HMRC (CM)	£44.80

b. any additional cheques that need to be raised following discussion of agenda items.

27 Planning Matters:

- a. Received
No planning applications have been received.
- b. Received & responded to:
No planning applications have been received.

28 Correspondence

- a. Airport Complaint – An anonymous complaint received in regard to airport activities has been received.
- b. Blakeland Country House – fireworks request (Appendix 2)
- c. Staffordshire County Council - Concessionary Travel (Appendix 3)

29 To discuss the agenda item 'any other business'.

30 To confirm the date of next Parish Council meeting to be the 18th of October 2023.

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Appendix One – Draft Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on the 19th of July 2023 in Bobbington Village Hall

Present: Cllr R Reade, Cllr V Wilson, Cllr A Burton, Cllr M Snelson, Cllr J Stanton and Cllr M Slater.

In Attendance: Clerk – Mrs V Morris and Mrs C Martin

01/23 Apologies for absence

Apologies have been received from Cllr I Rees, Cllr S Hadgett and Cllr L Jones.

02/23 To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000

No declarations of interest were received.

03/23 To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21st of June 2023

The council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st of June 2023. The council agreed to accept the minutes subject to requested changes.

04/23 Matters arising from the minutes: -

a. Bobbington Parish Council forward plan

The council reviewed the examples of Forward action plans that were provided by the parish clerk, the council discussed the short- and long-term goals that they would like to include in the forward action plan for Bobbington Parish Council. The action plan will be drafted and included in the next meeting to be reviewed pending approval.

05/23 Churchyard capacity

No updates have been received regarding this matter; Cllr Stanton has been asking for updates to no avail.

6. Highway Matters

a. Flooding - a review of problem areas

i. The brook adjacent to the Glebelands, Six Ashes Road

The council discussed the ongoing issues that are being experienced regarding flooding in the parish. The report has been circulated around relating to issues with the brook being clogged, residents have been made aware of the need to keep this area clear.

b. Visibility Splays Tom Lane

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The council discussed the ongoing issues that are being experienced regarding the lack of maintenance to visual splays in the parish. Residents who are affected by this are looking into the matter and are asking for evidence relating to the matter that historically they were used as visibility splays, the council will be updated in this matter. The inspections that have been made by the district council and have been reported to not be a concern. Cllr Snelson will investigate the matter and update the council.

c. 77-79 Six Ashes Road

Cllr Snelson has updated that the water leak has been fixed in one part of the road, but the issues have persisted. There are further water leaks which are being investigated. A letter has been sent from the highways to the affected residents that states highways is not responsible for the issues.

07/23 Friends of Bobbington

No meetings are scheduled for July.

08/23 Reports from Committee Representatives:

a. Corbett School

Cllr Burton updated the council that the gate has been replaced, children attended the secondary school open days, and year 6 leavers events have been done well and the school is looking forward to the next years influx of students. Cllr Burton updated the council on the year 6 leavers events that are currently planned.

b. Bobbington Village Hall

The updates are as follows; the village hall committee are looking for new members and booking clerk.

c. Holy Cross Church

Cllr Stanton updated the council that the inspection has been done; no major works are required but there are some improvements and there is a new treasurer for the church.

d. Community speed watch

No activity this month, planned event on the 22nd of July 2023.

e. Health and wellbeing

No updates have been received.

f. Crime report

No updates have been received.

09/23 Public Question time

No members of the public at present.

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10/23 Finance:-

a. Cheques (to be detailed in the minutes)

i. Clerk Salary & Expenses (VM)

Cllr Stanton proposed to accept the payments of the clerk's salary and expenses, this was seconded by Cllr Slater and agreed unanimously by the council.

ii. Clerk Salary (CM)

The clerk is to organise the HMRC, and payroll needs and have the cheques signed outside of the meeting.

iii. HMRC Paye

Cllr Stanton proposed to accept the HMRC payments for the clerk's salary, this was seconded by Cllr Slater and agreed unanimously by the council.

Table of Payments	
Recipient	Payment Amount
Clerk Salary & Expenses (VM)	£246.65
HMRC (VM)	£35.60

iv. any additional cheques that need to be raised following discussion of agenda items.

11/23 Planning Matters:

a. Received

23/00346/FUL – The council has no objections to this planning application.

b. Received & responded to:

- 73 Six Ashes Road – the council noted that this was responded to.

12/23 Airfield Matters

a. new premises license

The clerk updated the council on the premises license updates discussed in the last meeting, the council commented that there were no objections to this.

13/23 Correspondence

List of Correspondence:

SSDC Parish Council News Round-Up 315, 316, 317, 318

SDC - Chairman's Civic Sunday - Sunday 23 July 2023 (to L Jones)

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SSDC - Parish Summit Presentations 8.6.2023

SSDC - Draft First Homes Eligibility Criteria for South Staffordshire Consultation

SSDC - Crime stats, good news and some helpful hints

SCC - What's going on this July in Staffordshire's Libraries

CPRE - Does renewable energy have to cost the countryside?

SPCA Bulletin – 26/6/23, 5/7/23, 17/7/23

SSC - Licensing Awareness session for Parish Councils – via Teams

SCC - What's going on this July in Staffordshire's Libraries

CPRE - Does renewable energy have to cost the countryside?

SSC - Locality 5 - Community Safety Forum 25/7/23

SSC - What's happening at Your Library in the South Staffordshire area Summer

VAST - Funding Newsletter from the VAST Vault

Digital mapping can help your Neighbourhood Plan

Your OS licence (customer) number is changing

Introducing the SPCA's new Chief Executive – Robert Pettigrew

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services Community Newsletter

SCC – Staffordshire Library News and Events - August 2023

SCC – Road closures – various streets in South Staffordshire including Six Ashes Road, Halfpenny Green; for a period of no more than 5 days from 10th July 2023, 08:00 to 16:00 because of the likelihood of danger to the public during mobile carriageway

SSDC – Virtual Locality forum feedback

CPRE - how solar-savvy are you? Take our rooftop solar quiz!

SPCA Health and Wellbeing Officer for SPCA

14/23 Any other business

Nothing was raised under this item.

15/23 To confirm the date of next Parish Council meeting to be the 20th of September 2023.

The date of the meeting has been noted by the parish council.

Meeting closed at 20.28.

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Appendix 2 - Correspondence

BLAKELANDS
Country House



Mrs C Martin - Clerk to the Council
Bobbington Parish Council
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Bobbington
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4th August 2023

Re: NOTAM for fireworks display
Thursday 10th August @ 10:00pm

Dear Chloe,

We have been asked to allow a firework display at a wedding celebration on the date listed above. The appropriate paperwork has been forwarded to the Civil Aviation Authority, Airspace Utilisation Section, London & copies sent to Wolverhampton Airport.

The event will follow a similar format to previous events, and last for approx. 10 minutes, and are again being performed by professional company, with all liabilities and insurance's covered.

Could you please circulate this if possible at the next Parish Council meeting.

We are extremely sorry for the late notice of this letter and wish to inform you that we intend to send all future notices via email all firework notices via email. If you wish to remain on this mailing list, please email us at enquiries@blakelands.com with the email you wish for us to contact.

Yours sincerely,

Chloe Brettle- Wedding Coordinator
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Appendix 3 – Correspondence



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Ref: Concessionary Travel

August 2023

Dear Mrs Chloe Martin

Staffordshire County Council in partnership with the Department of Transport are promoting Concessionary Bus Travel for older and disabled people who live in Staffordshire.

Concessionary bus journeys are below pre-pandemic levels and we want to encourage people to apply for a concessionary bus pass if they are eligible and use it for free off peak travel.

Boosting concessionary travel will support the wellbeing of older and disabled people, back sustainable bus services and help to grow the economy.

Please can you display the attached poster in your parish and mention the campaign at your next Parish Council meeting?

I have also enclosed an information sheet about the scheme and how people can apply for a pass.

Kind regards,

Lisa Conn
Connectivity Officer

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Who can apply for a concessionary bus pass?

The England National Concessionary travel scheme (ENCTS) entitles people of pensionable age (currently aged 66+) and those with a qualifying disability to a bus pass.

The bus pass allows for free travel in England between 9:30am and 11pm on Monday to Friday, and all day on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays. Disabled people can travel for free in the Staffordshire County Council area before 09.30 until they reach pensionable age. At pensionable age, their pass will be changed to an older person's pass.

How to apply for a concessionary bus pass

Visit www.staffordshire.gov.uk/buspases
or visit your local Staffordshire County Council managed library.

What is needed to apply for a bus pass

Applicants will need to provide evidence of their identity, address and either age or disability depending on which pass they are applying for.

Online applicants will also need to have a photograph of themselves on their computer to upload as part of the process. If applying in a library the staff will take a photo using a webcam.

To apply for a disabled bus pass you would need to apply under one of the following categories (see the website for more information):

- Blind or partially sighted
- Severely or profoundly deaf
- Without speech
- Walking disability
- Medically refused a driving licence
- Loss of the use of both arms
- Learning disability

We also offer Companion passes for people that cannot travel alone, please see the website to see what evidence is needed to apply for a companion pass.