

Barnt Green Parish Council

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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

will be held on

Wednesday 7th October 2015

at 7.00pm in the

**Parish Centre (r/o St Andrews Church)
Sandhills Road, Barnt Green
B45 8NR**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE
CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND**

Representatives of Network Rail are expected to attend to discuss the footpath closure between Barnt Green and Cofton Hackett.

During the meeting there will be an opportunity for residents to put questions to the Parish Council on matters relating to the agenda.

Minutes of previous Council meetings are available on the Parish Council's website (www.barntgreen.org.uk), or they can be inspected on application to the Executive Officer.

Dated 30 September 2015

Signed:.....

Gill Lungley, MILCM

Executive Officer to the Parish Council

80 Hewell Road, Barnt Green, B45 8NF

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Notice of Meeting

Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of Barnt Green Parish Council to be held on **Wednesday 7th October at 7.00pm**

Cofton Room, Parish Centre, Sandhills Road, Barnt Green, B45 8NR

Please note venue arrangements

Agenda

74 Apologies

To receive apologies and to approve the reason for absence.

75 Declarations of Interest

Council members are reminded of the requirement to:

- a) update their register of interests where necessary;
- b) declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) in agenda items and their nature;
- c) declare any Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) in agenda items and their nature;
- d) provide to the Executive Officer as soon as possible before the meeting, or failing that, at the start of the meeting any written requests seeking a dispensation to be allowed to stay in the meeting (or stay and speak, or stay, speak and vote) having declared a DPI or ODI.

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the code of conduct, are expected to leave the room for the relevant items unless granted a dispensation. Dispensations received will be considered at this point in the agenda.

76 Adjournment of meeting to hear from:

- a) **Network Rail representatives** regarding temporary closure of footpath 500 – path between Barnt Green and Cofton Hackett, crossing railway line north of BG Station.
- b) **Members of the Public.**
Members of the Public are invited to give their views and put questions to the parish council on issues relating to this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration; please note the parish council will not engage in discussion or make any decisions at this point in the meeting. Members of the public may not take part in the parish council meeting itself. The time allocated for this item is at the discretion of the Chairman.
- c) **County Councillor** – Peter McDonald (Beacon division, Worcs CC), written report
- d) **District Councillor** - Charles Hotham (Barnt Green & Hopwood, BDC), written report

77 Minutes

To consider adoption of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 15/09/2015

78 Chairman's Report

To receive a report from the Chairman

79 Decisions taken by the Executive Officer since last meeting and updates

To be advised of any decisions taken under delegated powers since the last meeting. Executive Officer to provide progress reports on:

- a) Casual vacancy arrangements – there has been no call for a by-election, the council is now free to co-opt a suitable candidate
- b) Defibrillator training arranged for 6/11/2015 (further training can be arranged)
- c) Lengthsman update (and explanation of who does what)
- d) Arrangements to cut grass, brambles and tidy Hewell Lane/Longlands bank
- e) Arrangements to cut back hedging in Hewell Lane and Fiery Hill Road (Network Rail)
- f) WCC response to report of blocked drains, Bittell Road

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80 Neighbourhood, Planning and Environment, Cllr S Whitehand

- a) To consider the parish council's response to planning consultations received since last meeting:-

Log no.	App no.	Address	Development Proposal	LPA Decision
008	15/0741	33 Blackwell Road	Construction of a new enlarged dwelling on existing residential site	Pending
Comment submitted 28/09/2015 via delegation arrangements				
009	15/0823	Woodlands, Fiery Hill Rd	One single storey apartment and ancillary parking/landscaping	Pending
Parish Council to comment: plans available online and at the meeting via projector				
Status of current applications:				
004	15/0663	3 Rosewood Drive, B45 8LF	Addition of first floor balcony to replace pitched roof	Granted
005	15/0652	Fiery Hill Road	Re-alignment of Fiery Hill Rd	Pending
006	15/0722	6 Hewell Lane, B45 8NZ	Two storey rear extension with alterations to existing single storey side extension	Granted
007	15/0517	Land opp Underhill, Aqueduct Lane,	Replacement of existing detached garage B48 7BP	Refused

- b) To agree arrangements for village centre planters and hanging baskets
c) To write to all shops who looked after a hanging basket this year and resurrect the best hanging basket competition for next year
d) To be aware of residents' contact regarding:
d1) Speeding in Hewell Lane
d2) Parking in Fiery Hill Road near Brookwood Drive
d3) Pedestrian access between Fiery Hill Road and platform 1, BG Station
d4) Parking in Fiery Hill Road between station and Kendal End Road
e) To consider preferences regarding appearance and upkeep of Green Bank
f) To agree the purchase of 500 wheelie bin 30mph stickers, £210
g) To request safety measures for pedestrians crossing car park access, r/o Tesco

81 Events

- a) Debrief on Community Walk held 26/09/2015
b) Debrief on Shindig theatre, held 03/10/2015
c) Christmas Lights, switch on 04/12/15 update and to tie in with ...
d) National event 'Small Business Saturday' 05/12/2015
e) To agree preparations for a Christmas lunch
f) Defibrillator training arranged for 06/11/2015
g) To consider purchase of child-suitable defibrillator pads, £115
h) To consider support for Sport Relief Mile 2016, (BG Chuggers)
i) To consider provision of computer literacy classes

82 Governance

- a) To consider provision of members' contact details on notice board
b) To receive website traffic 2014 & 2015 analysis and consider suitability of website
c) To review requirements for Local Council Award Scheme, Foundation tier, and agree to provide the following online: Budget and Precept information; Complaints Procedure; an action plan for 2015/16; + Training Policy and training record for all staff and councillors

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- d) To agree training requirements (training in council basics in October and November)
- e) To agree the parish council advises WCC (re weekly roadworks reports) that Linthurst Road is not in BG Parish
- f) To agree response to Bromsgrove and Redditch Network, re rural voluntary services

83 Finance

- (i) To approve Executive Officer's attendance at Clerks Conference 15th, 16th & 17th October, £118.46 (full costs shared with BPC)
- (ii) To consider requirement for office mobile phone, cost @ £20 / £25pcm
- (iii) The Responsible Financial Officer will provide an update on current finances.
- (iv) To arrange councillor visit to parish council office to review latest quarter accounts
- (v) Update on consideration of provision of a pension for employee/s and agree progress

84 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Councillors may use this opportunity to:

- (i) report on meetings attended;
- (ii) agree the attendance of councillors at forthcoming meetings –
 - Training, various dates
 - Community Emergency Planning Forum 28/10/2015 at BDC
 - WorcsCALC AGM 25/11/2015 at County Hall, Worcester
 - Bromsgrove Area CALC committee meeting 09/12/2015
- (iii) report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda;
- (iv) raise items for future agendas, to include provision of councillors' surgeries.

85 Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th November 2015 at 80 Hewell Road.

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