



DORMINGTON AND MORDIFORD GROUP GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

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AGENDA

Councillors are summoned to attend a meeting of the group Parish Council at Mordiford School, Mordiford, Hereford, HR1 4LW on **Wednesday 20th November 2024** at 7.00pm

The meeting will be recorded for the purpose of the minutes.

1. To receive apologies for absence (Please send apologies via the Clerk)
2. To disclose personal and pecuniary interests and written requests for dispensation.
3. To approve as correct the minutes of the meeting held on the 16th October 2024.
4. **Employment Matters**
5. To consider a plan to Co-opt a new Councillor
6. To note there will be a burial at Mordiford Burial Ground on the 6th December 2024.
7. To note any announcements from the clerk regarding risk register activity:
 - a. Draft Budget approval - Consultation
 - b. Precept Approval
 - c. VAT
 - d. ½ yearly accounts
 - e. Reserves Policy
 - f. Mandate check
 - g. Review Risk Assessments (Allotment, Footpaths Officer, Litter picking, Closed Churchyard, Burial Ground & PC generic activities)
8. **Public Forum** (members of the public are invited to make comments and raise items, time restricted to 3 minutes. This is the only time in the meeting that the general public can speak)
9. To receive a brief report from Ward member – Cllr Biggs
10. **Planning:**
 - a. To comment on new planning applications for determination by Herefordshire Council

Ref Number	Location	Description	Comments by
222728	Lower Eggleton, Ledbury HR8 2UE	Anaerobic Digestion Plant	25 th November 2024
242580	The Beeches, Checkley. HR1 4ND	Proposed refurb of the existing house, including a gabled extension on the northeast elevation, a veranda on the southwest elevation, and a porch on the northwest side	22 nd December 2024

- b. To note planning decisions made by Herefordshire Council –

Ref Number	Location	Description	Outcome
241860	Bell House Mordiford	Trees in a conservation area – Ash tree	Proceed
241948	Old Rectory, Mordiford	Trees in a conservation area – multiple trees	Proceed
242113	Old Rectory, Mordiford	Trees in a conservation area – Multiple trees	Proceed
242158	Holy Rood Church, Mordiford	Trees in a conservation area – Yew overhanging	Proceed

- c. To receive an update from the NDP Steering Group.

- d. To receive an update on the School Community Hall and S106 money from the Summit meeting.
- e. To consider the application to change the status of Tower Hill Bridal way to Byway open to all traffic.

11. Finance:

- a. To note the bank balances and sign the Bank Reconciliation
- b. To consider the Budget Tracker
- c. To receive an update on bank signatories
- d. To consider the adoption of the Reserves Policy
- e. To consider and approve the budget for 25/26 and the precept figure.
- f. To receive an update on the purchase of a noticeboard for Mordiford Green
- g. To consider the following invoices for payment:

Payee	Description	Amount (inc VAT)
Clerk	Clerks Salary	As per contract
HMRC	PAYE tax	As per contract
Clerk	Clerks Expenses (mileage + ½ mobile phone bill, Malware Bytes, MS Office 365, light bulb for defib)	£110.93
Fownhope Parish Council	Contribution towards bus service 458 & 455	£252.00
DC Gardening	INV SI-2059	£222.00
	Total excluding Clerk Salary and PAYE	£577.44

- f. To note any payments made between meetings:

Payee	Description	Amount
Unity	Bank Charges	£5.40
Defib Warehouse	INV DW-158444 Adult Defib Pads for Mordiford Defib	£81.54

- g. To note any receipts:

Sender	Description	Amount
Natwest – Transfer to Unity	21/10/24 – Chq to clear balance	£1219.44

12. Footpaths/Commons/Rivers/Open spaces:

- a. To receive a PROW update
- b. To receive an update on the management of Checkley Common and the restoration of the pond
- c. To receive an update on the cutting of Checkley Common
- d. To note an empty plot became available at the allotment and now has a new tenant. There is currently only one person on the waiting list.
- e. To consider the cutting of the hedge at the allotment and tidying up of an empty plot.
- f. To consider any advice given to the Clerk from the Federation of Burials and Cremations Authorities.

13. Highways/Rural Roads/Bridges:

- a. To receive an update on the Drainage fund
- b. To receive an update from the Highways working group
- c. To receive an update from the Mordiford Bridge steering group with Herefordshire Council
- d. To receive an update on speeding in Dormington - a new TRO and SID installation
- e. To receive an update from the B4224 Stratify Group Meeting
- f. To receive an update on the renewal of the white road markings in Mordiford.

14. Health/Safety and the Environment:

- a. To receive an update on the Larport Solar Farm – Tree planting
- b. To consider blasting at Perton Quarry and the methods by which warning is given.
- c. To receive an update from Wyescapes attended by Cllr Cotton.
- d. To consider Herefordshire Tree, Hedgerow and Woodland Strategy and consider commenting.

15. Communications/newsletters/social media/Community engagement

- a. To consider the content for a Christmas Newsletter to be circulated electronically.
- b. To receive an update on the Sheep in Upper Dormington.

16. To put forward items for next agenda

17. To note the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting – January 15th 2025 at 7pm in Mordiford School.