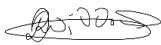


CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

SUMMONS

Public Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Croscombe Parish Council, which members are summoned to attend, will be held in the Church Rooms, Church Street, Croscombe on Tuesday, 8th April, 2025, at 7:00pm.



Debbie Widdows, Parish Clerk, 2nd April, 2025

AGENDA

All the appendices for this agenda, along with the agenda itself and minutes of previous meetings, can be found on the Croscombe Parish Council website [Agenda and Minutes](#) page.

PUBLIC FORUM

The Chair will begin the formal business of the Council which is open to the public to attend. There is an opportunity for members of the public to speak during the public forum. Please see below. Visit the website to view any supporting papers for the agenda below. CONFIDENTIAL papers are only sent to elected members and are not available online. All documents are PDF (or equivalent) and can be downloaded to a suitable device.

1. WELCOME

2. PUBLIC FORUM

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE; ABSENCES

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e).

(NB - this does not preclude any later declarations).

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- i. To confirm and sign minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 25th February 2025 (Appendix 1).

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- i. **2025/0590/FUL**

Removal of existing septic tank and replace with new sewage treatment plant and associated power supply.
Thrupe Cottages, Thrupe Lane, Masbury Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

- ii. **2025/0591/HSE**

2 Storey side extension & internal alterations. Erection of new garage with annex above.
Thrupe Farm, Thrupe Lane, Masbury, Shepton Mallet, Somerset

7. FINANCE

- i. To approve (or not) bank account reconciliation at 2nd Apr 25 (Appendix 2)
- ii. To approve (or not) receipts and payments identified in cashflow from 21 Feb 25 to 2 Apr (Appendix 3).
- iii. To approve (or not) paid clerk hours for month of March, 25.70 hours for D Widdows. (Appendix 4)

8. CLERK'S REPORT

- i. To note Clerk's Report (Appendix 5).

9. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

- i. To note report from Cllr Lovell of Somerset Council (Appendix 6).

10. WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- i. Flood Group Report (Appendix 7).
 - a) Community Emergency Event Report (Appendix 8)
 - b) Application for flood barriers
- ii. Orchard Group
 - a) Progress notes (Appendix 9)
- iii. Play Area Group

11. UPDATES ON ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- i. Flood Group
 - a) Tax implications of donated money. (Clerk)
 - b) Submit letter to Somerset Council regarding blocked drains. (PH & Clerk)
 - c) Somerset Rivers Authority adjudicator of Grants mentioned that Croscombe would be put forward as a demonstration and this may save money on the flood barriers. CJ to follow up with Alistair Carmichael (CJ).
- ii. Orchard Group
 - a) The OWG does not wish to fund the survey assessment which the PCP requested, they requested the PCP to fund it instead. LT to explore less expensive orchard assessments. (LT)
 - b) Chris Brown, (of Shepton Mallet Landscapes) has offered to deliver training to the OWG and other volunteers to enable them to carry out maintenance of the orchard. Clerk to confirm insurance (Clerk).
 - c) Alternative pedestrian access routes to the community orchard should be explored in order to seek to obviate the need to access the orchard via Thrupe Lane. LT to speak to landowner (LT).
 - d) The OWG did not find Cllr Hargraves' report satisfactory as it contained information which was not submitted in the completed questionnaires. Cllr Hargraves to respond to the OWG feedback.
 - e) The OWG requested CPC permission to write its own report of the results of the 2024 community orchard survey. The OWG to draft a report of the results of the 2024 orchard survey and submit it to the CPC.

12. MATTERS OF REPORT – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Date of next meeting – Tuesday, 20th May 2025, at 7:00pm in the Church Rooms