Drayton Bassett Parish Council

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The public are invited to a meeting of Drayton Bassett Parish Council which will be held on **Tuesday 21st October 2025 at 7.30pm** in The Sports Pavilion, Rectory Close, Drayton Bassett, B78 3UH.

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AGENDA

| 88 | Apologies: |
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| 88.1 | To receive and approve reasons for absence. |
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| 88.2 | Thanks to retiring councillors. |
| 89 | Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: |
| 0,5 | To receive Declarations of Interests and consider granting dispensations of which written notice has been received by the Clerk. |
| 90 | Public Participation: Members of the public are invited to address the Council on any issue over which it has a power. This section will be limited to 20 minutes. |
| 91 | Chair to reopen the meeting: Members of the public may not take part in the meeting itself. |
| 92 | Minutes: (Attachment 1) |
| | To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 16 th September 2025 |
| 93 | Reports from the District and County Councillors |
| | Reports will be heard from the Bourne Vale District Councillor (Cllr Brian Yeates) and the Staffordshire County Councillor (Cllr Alex Farrell) if they are able to attend. |
| 94 | Police update: |
| | To receive an update from Staffordshire Police (if available). |
| 95 | Clerk's Report: (Attachment 2) |
| | To note and to approve any appropriate actions from the Clerk's Report. |
| 96 | Co-option: |
| | To consider co-opting an applicant for the vacancy. |
| 97 | Annual Governance and Accountability Return – AGAR (Attachment 3) To receive and note the comments of the External Auditor regarding the AGAR. |
| 98 | Finances: (Attachment 4) |
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| 98.1 98.2 | Authorisation of payments: To approve the following payments – |
| | Staffordshire Parish Councils Association £42 Vision ICT £120 Vision ICT £78 Plants £164.00 Water £46.09 ICO Fee £52.00 Source for Business (Water) £46.09 Staffing Costs £ 359.70 Play area inspection £132.00 |
| 98.3 | To approve the following payments under delegated authority – |
| | Poppy Wreaths £114.00 |
| 98.4 | To approve the purchase of the Scribe financial software. (Attachment 5) |
| | Authorise the purchase of the software to manage the council's accounts in order to improve financial controls. |
| | Software purchase £299 (Required) Structure £149 (Requested) £37 per month standing order (Required) Year to date transaction import £499 (Optional timesaving benefit) |
| | All costs include VAT which is reclaimed. |
| 98.5 | To approve Bradleys to provide payroll services for the council. |
| | Transfer payroll function from SAGE self service system (£13.20 p/m) to Bradleys Accounts Ltd (£16 p/a). |
| 98.6 | To approve the transfer of banking services from Lloyds Bank (Lloyds 4.25 p/m) to Unity Trust Banking (£6 per month). |
| 99 | To delegate authority to the Clerk to purchase a new laptop, MS Office licence and anti-virus software. Estimated £500 from reserves. |
| 100 | To purchase dog waste bags dispenser and bags (Attachment 6) £261.73 per dispenser with bags. Additional fitting posts would be extra. |
| 101 | Repairs to the Village Green To approve repairs to the Village Green. (Attachment 7) |
| 102 | Maintenance contract (Attachment 8) To consider the tenders received for the general maintenance contract. |
| 103 | Planning To consider new planning applications in or affecting Drayton Bassett. NONE. |
| 104 | Date of Next Meeting The next Full Council meeting is scheduled for 18 th November 2025. |