

BERINSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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**You are summoned to attend the meeting of
Berinsfield Parish Council which will take place on
Monday 7th August, 2023 at 7.15 p.m. in
The Church Hall, Wimplestraw Road, Berinsfield OX10 7LW**

31st July, 2023

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AGENDA

1. Items raised by Members of the public.
2. Apologies for absence
3. Declaration of Interests. To receive declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2001
4. County Councillor's Report.
5. District Councillor's Report.
6. To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd July, 2023
7. To consider planning applications and decisions received to date.
 - a) **Planning Application P23/S1304/LDP** Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of a single storey extension – 3m deep (max 2.5m high eaves – 4 m high ridge) 33 Kennet Close, Berinsfield OX10 7PX
8. **Casual vacancy on Berinsfield Parish Council.** There is currently a vacancy for a Councillor to serve on Berinsfield Parish Council. The Parish Council is asked to note that South Oxfordshire District Council will be notified of the vacancy and it will be advertised for the statutory period of fourteen working days. If an election is not called, the Parish Council may advertise the vacancy for co-option.
9. Correspondence and Items for information.
 - a) **Hire of recreation ground.** The Adult Sports Day scheduled for 8th July was postponed and will now take place on 2nd September, 2023.
 - b) **Purchase and installation of rugby posts.** The Parish Council is asked to note that it has been awarded a grant of £1,000 under the South Oxfordshire District Council Everyone Active grant scheme towards the cost of purchasing two rugby posts and now has £2,000 towards the cost of the project. The cost of purchasing and installing the posts is £5,186.00.

- c) **Improvements to informal crossing point over the A 4074.** The Parish Council has been informed that the improvements are being made to improve the visibility of the crossing point to approaching road users by a combination of bollards and advanced signing. Oxfordshire County Council will arrange for all the debris to be cleared so that the crossing point is back to its original width. It will also continue to “side out” the approaching path all the way back to the crossing point in Wimblestraw Road. It will also refresh some existing sign plates.
- d) **Community First Oxfordshire, Conference about Community Stewardship, Shaping Resilient, Sustainable Places.** The conference is being held on Friday 15th September between 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the Community Centre, Chesterton. The Parish Council is asked if it wishes to be represented at the conference.
- e) **20 mph Speed Limit in Berinsfield.** The Parish Council has now submitted its application for a 20 mph speed limit in Berinsfield. Oxfordshire County Council has added the application to the third phase of the project, which should see the speed limits introduced next year. Oxfordshire County Council will contact the Parish Council with draft proposals, taking all of the comments made in the application into account. They will then engage in discussion with the Council to identify proposals to take to the formal consultation stage.
- f) **Request for traffic calming measures in Fane Drive.** The Parish Council has received a request from a resident living in Fane Drive for traffic calming measures to be installed to slow the traffic down in Fane Drive between the junction of Wimblestraw Road and Fane Drive and the corner by the Boxing Club. The resident is concerned about the speed of the traffic on this section of Fane Drive and the fact that many children have to cross Fane Drive to reach the Lay Avenue Play Area and the school bus stops. The resident has been informed of the proposal to have a 20 mph speed in Berinsfield. The Parish Council is asked if it wishes to apply to Oxfordshire County Council for traffic calming measures to be installed in Fane Drive.
- g) **Ken Hall Walk** South Oxfordshire District Council has started the consultation about the proposal to name the path around the recreation ground Ken Hall Walk. They will be installing public notices at either end of the proposed route of the path. The consultation will run from 28th July until 25th August. Parish Councillors are asked to notify the Clerk of any damage to the public notices.
- h) **HIF1** The Parish Council is asked to note that Oxfordshire County Council’s Planning Committee voted against the HIF1 road project. The decision has been called in by the Government.
- i) **Berinsfield Local Data Report.** A copy of the report has been forwarded electronically to all Members of the Parish Council. Members are asked to consider the information contained in the report with a view to it being used as a source of evidence for some of the Neighbourhood Development Plan policies.
- j) **Berinsfield Neighbourhood Development Plan.** To receive an update on the Berinsfield Neighbourhood Development Plan. A revised copy of the document will be circulated to all Members electronically prior to the meeting.
- k) **Altitude Angel.** The Parish Council has been approached by the Project Manager of Altitude Angel as the company may be interested in leasing a triangular shaped site in Berinsfield to erect a 30 metre high mast with associated guy ropes, possibly with access to electricity. The mast would be used to control drones which will be used on a 164 skyway project connecting towns and cities.

The potential uses for the super highway include business use, medical deliveries etc. Some background information is available on

<https://www.altitudeangel.com/news/uk-government-gives-the-green-light-for-worlds-longest-drone-superhighway>

The Parish Council is asked for its views on this proposal and to consider whether the Council has any sites in its ownership which might be suitable.

10. Statement of Accounts for payment in August, to be circulated at the meeting.
11. Items for report to Chairman
12. Date of next Parish Council Meeting - 4th September, 2023 `