

# Mollington Parish Council

## COUNCIL SUMMONS

Dear Member

You are HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in **MOLLINGTON, BACKFORD & DISTRICT VILLAGE HALL** on **TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2020** at 7.30pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out on the agenda below.



Parish Clerk  
26 August 2020

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**Members of the public and the press are welcome to attend for the "Part 1" section of the agenda. Any reports in "Part 2" contain confidential information and only Councillors and the Parish Clerk can be present.**

If you have any general enquiries about the meeting, please contact Pauline English, Clerk to the Parish Council (Tel: 0151 339 1405, Mob: 07890 140412, email: [engy02@ntlworld.com](mailto:engy02@ntlworld.com))

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### AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME**
4. **MINUTES**  
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2 July 2019 as a correct record.
5. **RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR**  
The Chairman has received the resignation of Councillor Sally Atkin. The Clerk has prepared the standard notice advertising the vacancy and inviting 10 residents to request an election to fill the vacancy, with the rider that if an election should be sought this will not take place until the Government's restrictions on holding elections have been lifted, which could be some time. If no request for an election is received, the vacancy may be filled by co-option.
6. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**  
With the resignation of Councillor Atkin the post of Vice-Chairman has now become vacant. It is RECOMMENDED that it be filled until the next Annual Meeting in May 2021.
7. **UPDATE REPORTS**  
To receive reports on the following matters where these are available:
  - (1) **Five Villages Project**
  - (2) **Hyperfast B4RN Six Villages Project**  
Each time a member of the community makes the decision to get involved with the broadband project by applying for a gigabit voucher they secure up to £1,500 of funding (or up to £3,500 if they are applying as a business) from the government for the project. To date, 148 voucher applications have been made which is well on the way towards the first target of 231 voucher applications. Landowners in the community have got involved by granting all the wayleaves needed to install ducting from the Cheshire B4RN cabinet at Capenhurst to the primary school in Mollington which will be the hub of the community network. More wayleaves are still needed to build the rest of the network. Some members of the local community have got involved by investing in B4RN which is how the additional funding needed for the project will be raised.
  - (3) **Speed Limits**  
Finance has been agreed and CWaC Highways have logged this as a project. No timescale is yet available but it may take some time given the current situation
  - (4) **Grove Road Ditches**  
This relates to the water coming out of the Open Reach Manhole outside the old Post Office. The manhole has been rebuilt and Open Reach will come out if, and as soon

as, water comes up again to review the issue. Councillor Eardley is attempting to arrange a meeting with CWaC, Lea and the Chairman to discuss further.

(5) **Website**

The new website [www.mollington-pc.org.uk](http://www.mollington-pc.org.uk) has been launched. There were a few teething problems and a few anxious moments as data was transferred from the old website to the new one. Zoom training sessions with the designer are to be arranged for both Councillor Christine Jones and the Clerk and other Councillors may wish to be included in these. The Clerk is maintaining the “Your Council” sub-heading and Councillor Christine Jones is maintaining the “Community” sub-heading. It is important to keep the website vibrant and up to date and this will only be done by everyone sending text and photos of items that need to be shared with residents.

(6) **Community/Neighbourhood Plan**

**8. GARDEN COMPETITION**

It has not been possible to hold the Garden Competition this year. The Parish Council may wish to discuss options for the future of this competition.

**9. FORMER GOLF COURSE, TOWNFIELD LANE**

Since the last meeting of the Parish Council an informal meeting was held between the Parish Council and Harworth Group, the site owners. ([www.harworthgroup.com](http://www.harworthgroup.com)) Harworth, have provided an outline of their current proposals for the Golf Course Site and it was their stated intention to seek the views of the residents before submitting plans to the Council. As Covid 19 restrictions did not allow an open meeting where the proposals could be presented, Harworth sent out written correspondence to residents inviting comments. The proposals include a 6-house development with landscaping to provide cycling and walking routes from the Townfield Lane entrance to the Chester Country Park. Harworth stated their intention to submit plans to the CWaC at the end of July but to date no plans have appeared.

**10. PLANNING**

(1) **Applications Received:**

| Application No. | Proposal   | Comments by                    |
|-----------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 20/02254/FUL    | Demolition of existing Garage and erection of home office/hobby room and outside pool at South Lodge, Townfield Lane, Mollington, Chester Cheshire CH1 6NJ       | Period for comment has expired |
| 20/02289/FUL    | Change of Use of existing Footgolf building and associated area to day care for dogs on Land at Mollington Grange Business Park Parkgate Road Mollington Chester | 1 September 2020               |
| 20/02651/FUL    | Two storey side extension at 4 Elms Cottages, Townfield Lane, Mollington, Chester, Cheshire CH1 6NS  | 11 September 2020              |

(2) **Decisions:**

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| 20/01801/LDC | Use of adjoining land as part of garden at Grovehurst, Grove Road, Lea by Backford, Chester CH1 6LG - WITHDRAWN   |
| 20/01980/FUL | Extension to side (Existing gable end extended and ridge line extended to meet existing main roof ridge line); Addition of new dormer windows & replacement dormer window at The Walled Garden, Well Lane, Mollington, Chester CH1 6LD - APPROVED |

(3) **Awaiting Decision:**

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| 20/01430/FUL | Change of use of barns into hydro-therapy pool, gymnasium and annexe flat for use in connection with the new dwelling at Elm Farm, Townfield Lane, Mollington, Chester CH1 6NJ |
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**11. FINANCE**

| Date     | Method | Description   | Amount |
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| 02.07.20 | DD     | 1&1 IONOS Website Hosting   | 7.19   |
| 24.07.20 | DD     | Information Commissioner Annual Fee                                 | 35.00  |
| 28.07.20 | SO     | Amenity Cleaner – wages July  | 193.44 |
| 28.07.20 | SO     | Parish Clerk – salary July  | 142.27 |
| 31.07.20 | DD     | 1&1 IONOS – Website hosting   | 7.19   |
| 03.08.20 | BACS   | Cheshire West & Chester Council – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Election recharge | 247.35 |

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| 11.08.20 | BACS | Bob Hadfield – Website design  | 366.00 |
| 28.08.20 | SO   | Amenity Cleaner – wages August | 193.44 |
| S8.08.20 | SO   | Parish Clerk – salary August   | 142.27 |

**12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND NEXT MEETING**

**13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 3 November 2020 at 7.30pm – venue to be confirmed