**NOTICE OF MEETING OF**

**GREAT PAXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**A meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Community Room at Great Paxton School, Mount Pleasant, Great Paxton on Monday 21st March 2022 at 8.00pm**

## Members of the Public and Press are cordially invited to attend or to express any views/opinions by letter. If members of the public wish to speak on any Agenda Item, please let the Clerk or Chairman know at least 24 hours before the Meeting.

## All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend to consider and resolve the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.

C. A. Brandon 15th March 2022

Clerk to the Parish Council (clerk@greatpaxton-pc.gov.uk or [www.greatpaxton-pc.gov.uk](http://www.greatpaxton-pc.gov.uk))

**AGENDA**

 **1. Apologies for Absence and Any Declarations of Interests**

1. Apologies
2. To receive declarations of interests from Councillors on items on the Agenda.
3. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any) and to grant any requests for dispensations, as appropriate.

 **2.** **Comments and Observations from Members of the Public & District and County**

 **Councillors**

1. County & District Councillor Reports.
2. Public Forum (to allow members of the public to address the Council (10 Mins).

 **3.** **Help Shape the District Council’s Environment & Climate Strategy**

 Press Release enclosed. Councillor West to amplify.

 **4. Community Shop**

 Andy Wylde to report.

 **5. Minutes**

 To approve, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2022**.**

 **6.** **New Model** **Code of Conduct**

On the recommendation of the District Council’s Monitoring Officer,to consider the approval and adoption of the LGA Model Code of Conduct and Guidance to take effect from 5th May 2022.

 **7.** **Planning Matters: Update (if any) on Proposed Developments**

1. **Demolition of existing single storey rear extension, outbuilding and conservatory to be replaced by two storey rear extension with porch extension to the front elevation. Works also include enlargement of first floor window to principal elevation and creation of off-street parking and associated landscaping, 4 Church Lane, Great Paxton Ref No: 21/02656/HHFUL** **–** Approved

 25th February 2022.

1. **74 High Street, Variation of C2 (Plans) for 19/00959/FUL to amend the design of the detached 5 bed dwelling: 21/02150/S73 –** still in progress.

**iii 22 Rectory Close, Two Storey Side & Single Storey Side Extension: 21/02301/HHFUL -** Approved 12th January 2022.

**iv 70 High Street, Single Storey Rear Extension - 22/00038/HHFUL –** Approved 4th March 2022.

**v Land behind No 33 High Street: Any News?**

 **8. Saxon Green**

* Update on work in play space & drainage ditch
* Annual RoSPA Safety Inspection to be undertaken in April.
* Routine Inspection

 **9. LHI Applications: Update (if any)**

* **MVAS: Collection and Post**
* **2022/23 Application:** **Feedback on Huntingdonshire Panel (28th February)**

 Councillor Mrs Jill Peters to report.

**10. Highways Update**

Tour with Maciej and any outcomes?

 **11. Memberships**

1. **CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England): Membership Renewal**

Fee in 2021/22: £36 remains unchanged unless the Parish Council chooses to increase it to £50.

 With the Parish Council’s support, CPRE will campaign on the following during 2022

* Respond strongly to planning changes that will protect people & the countryside;
* Ensure that the heath & wellbeing benefits of the countryside are enjoyed by all; and
* Continue to ensure that the countryside tackles Climate and Nature Emergency

**ii Great Ouse Valley Trust (Fee in 2022/23 - £30)**

 Renewal request.

**iii CAPALC Affiliation (Fee in 2022/23 - £374.54)**

 In May 2019, the Parish Council decidednot to renew its membership of CAPALC but to review the position again in 2020. Subsequently, this decision has been reviewed on annual basis. The Parish Council has consistently taken the view that the Clerk’s membership of the Society of Local Council Clerks offers a source of advice and support when required. In addition, rising fees and increasing pressures on a limited precept were such that it could not justify further expenditure. An invitation to affiliate to CAPALC for the year commencing April 2022/23 has been received. The fee for annual membership has increased to £374.54. A flyer describing the benefits of membership is enclosed for Councillors. The Parish Council is requested to consider the invitation to re-join CAPALC.

**iv Citizens Advice Bureau Rural Cambs – Request for Donation**

Letter & Annual Review circulated to Councillors

 **12.** **Updates**

* 1. **‘No Mow in May’: National Trust Campaign**
	2. **Speed watch**
	3. **Notice Board Repairs/Village Entrance Refurbishment**
	4. **Bridge Foot/Cycle Path:** Update & Funding?
	5. **Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations:** Commemorative Wood Coin for Great Paxton Primary School pupils – to be displayed ??
	6. **Highways, footpaths, trees etc**

 **13. Finance Matters**

1. To note the Bank Reconciliation and approve any invoices/expenses for payment (to be circulated prior to the meeting); and
2. To verify and sign the Bank Reconciliation(s);
3. To note, formally, that the National Joint Council (NJC) for local government services has agreed an increase of 1.75% on existing pay rates applicable from 1 April 2021.

 **14. Date of Next Meeting: To note -** Monday 16th May 2022 at 7.30pm for the **Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Council.**