



# LONG ASHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the Parish Council to be held on  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at **6.30pm** at *The Jubilee Pavilion, Keedwell Hill, BS41 9DP.*

Hannah Harwood, Clerk  
14<sup>th</sup> January 2025

*As per the Council's Standing Orders, members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend only during the time designated for public participation. In exceptional circumstances, the chair may permit further public participation. The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 30 minutes, this will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.*

***Participation should be requested in advance by contacting the Clerk to ensure appropriate time is made available.***

*Non-confidential background papers available on request.*

## A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for absence LGA 1972 s85(1)**  
To receive any apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations**  
To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct (adopted on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022) and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33. *(NB this does not **preclude** any later declarations).*
3. **Confirmation of minutes**  
That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024 are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. (LGA 1972, Schedule 12, paragraph 41(1)).
4. **Budget and Precept 2025-2026**
  - a) To approve the draft budget of £276,907 as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024. To note, a budget must be agreed in order to be able to set the precept.
  - b) To approve the level of precept for 2025-2026. To note, the deadline for submission to North Somerset Council is the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

In summary this includes consideration for projected underspends of at least £38,000 for the 2024/2025 financial year, the creation of an earmarked reserve of £20,000 for

devolution expenses, and a budget subsidised by £18,000 from general reserves to achieve an increase of 4.8%. If approved, the precept request will be £243,680 which relates to £86.06 for a Band D property. Long Ashton Parish Council raised a precept of £230,188 for 2024/2025. This was an annual charge of £82.15 for a Band D property.

**5. Epic Proposed Development Planning Application 23/P/2185/FU28**

To note the outcome of the Epic Systems planning application.

**6. Peel Park Transfer**

To receive an update from Ash Cartman (Ward Councillor) on whether North Somerset Council can support enforcement of the S106 agreement to transfer Peel Park to the Parish Council. To consider and agree next steps.

**7. Long Ashton Community Centre - Motion**

To consider a motion requesting that the Council waive the requirement for prior permission for each piece of publicity, as outlined in clause 3.12 of the lease between the Parish Council and the Community Centre. This request is made on the condition that all publicity is managed in accordance with the Long Ashton Community Centre Publicity policy. To review the policy and decide whether to waive this condition in this instance.

**8. Annual Parish Meeting (APM)**

To note that the Annual Parish Meeting, which is a statutory requirement to be held between 1st March and 1st June, is scheduled to take place on Monday, 19th May 2025, at 6:30 pm. Discussions are underway with potential speakers, and further details will be provided in due course. To agree a budget of up to £500 for the event.

**9. Schedule of meetings**

To note the schedule of meetings for June 2025 to May 2026.

*Nb due to the availability of the Jubilee Pavilion there is limited flexibility to amend these dates.*

**10. Ward Councillor Report**

To receive an update from Ward Councillors representing Long Ashton, covering relevant developments, ongoing initiatives, and any matters of interest to the Parish Council and community.

**11. Working Groups**

To receive reports from the following groups:

- a) Community Engagement Working Group
- b) Newsletter Working Group
- c) Light Up Long Ashton (LULA) Working Group
- d) Skatepark Working Group
- e) Biodiversity Working Group
- f) Peel Park Working Group

**12. Date of the next meeting**

To note that the next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at **6.30pm**.