

Feckenham Parish Council
Thursday 12th of December 2024 at 7.30pm
Back Room Village Hall.

1. APOLOGIES:

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

- a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda.
- b) To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary and nonpecuniary interests (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) which are to be with the clerk as soon as possible prior to a meeting.

c) TO CONSIDER GRANTING REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Requests for dispensation must be made on an individual basis.

3. MINUTES: To consider the approval of the Minutes of the meeting held Thursday 14th of November 2024.

5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR(S) REPORT:

6. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR(S) REPORT:

OPEN FORUM

The Parish Council meeting will be suspended for 15 minutes. Residents are invited to give their views and question to the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chair.

Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting.

7. PLANNING.

Planning comments given since last meeting: None.

a. For Council Consideration:

24/01198/FUL & 24/01199/LBC 41 High Street

b. RBC Approvals: 24/00408/FUL. 40 Droitwich Road.

24/00387/FUL. Statkraft. Land South of Astwood Lane.

c. RBC Refusals: 24/00859/CPE Land Adjacent to Feckenham Gardens Astwood Lane Feckenham.

d. RBC Pending:

23/00417/FUL. Immersa BESS Application. Land at Astwood Lane.

24/01057/scop Innova Renewables Ltd scoping opinion.

23/00192/FUL. Cross Boundary application for W/23/00270/FUL, Roundhill Solar Farm

23/01308/FUL. regarding the Land at Rockhill Lane, Astwood Lane. Roundhill Solar Farm.

W/23/00270/FUL. Roundhill Solar Farm (Wychavon Planning Authority).

21/00249/FUL. Land North of Droitwich Road.

23/01332/FUL. Redditch Golf club

24/00173/FUL. Change of use to dog walking field including fencing and car park. Land at Brookhouse Lane, Ham Green.

24/00392/FUL Clayfield Farm.

24/00604/FUL 43 Alcester Road for a Domestic garage to front of main property and associated landscaping work.

24/00981/FUL Drainage for agricultural Barn, Moors Lane.

e. RBC Withdrawn: None.

f. RBC Appeals: None.

g. RBC Permission Required: None.

8. FINANCE

Payments made since last meeting:

Scribe direct debit Dec 24 @ £14.40

Payments to approve:

As the Parish Council now have accounts package you will find the latest figures added to the agenda / minutes which will show all payments and account balances.

9. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Resignation of Cllr Pat Dormer.
- B. Co-option and ballot if more than one candidate. Please note this co-option is in relation to the resignation of Cllr Hugo Hammersley.
- C. Declaration of Office.
- D. Feedback from Feckenham Energy Action Group Ltd meeting held on 7th of November.
- E. Does the PC wish to appoint their own BESS Consultant.
- F. To agree on wording/questions for the BESS Ballot arranged by Redditch Borough Councillors: Cllr Brandon Clayton, Cllr Craig Warhurst, and Cllr Chris Holz.

- G. To agree on the Precept request for 2025/2026.
- H. To consider changing scribe accounts package to the next level to help with budgeting and audit regulations.
- I. To consider funding a request from the Lengthsman about drainage on Bentley Lane. The pipe from the road gully to the wood (about 100m) is blocked. The farmer has already dug the end out and dug a settlement pond area out for the silt, the pipe needs jetting. An added pipe at a cost of £600 inc VAT.
- J. To agree on PC meeting dates for 2025.

10. CLERK'S UPDATE

- A. Schedule of Correspondence for Consideration (not already noted).
- B. Schedule of Tabled Correspondence Received (not already noted). Complaints received about bridle paths which have been referred to Parish Path Warden.
- C. Schedule of Correspondence Sent (not already noted)

11. PROGRESS REPORTS

- a) Redditch Borough Councillors to conduct a ballot on Parishioners opinions of BESS applications within Feckenham.
- b) Update on Round Hill Solar Farm Project. Update.
- c) Boom Power BESS Facility.
- d) Statkraft, Immersa, and Innova BESS application. Update.
- e) Does the PC wish to request a general overview/ awareness of BESS planning applications from Redditch Borough Council.
- f) Bank account changes: Lloyds Bank fees to be introduced from January 2025 @£8.50 per month. To accept charges or change bank.
- g) FVAT update.
- h) Church Walk- Ownership and legal costs. Update
- i) Feckenham Flooding. Update.
- j) Feckenham Orchard.
- k) Planning issues and Redditch Borough Council: Update.
- l) Feckenham in Bloom: Working Party: Update.
- m) To propose a replacement, notice board.
- n) Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) Strategy for Worcestershire Consultation exercise. Update.
- o) Traffic Meeting/ Speed Reduction Measures. Update.

12. COUNCILLORS REPORTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS Councillors may use this opportunity.

to report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas

DATE & VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

7:30pm on 9th of January 2025 at Feckenham Village Hall.

All welcome to attend.