

# Cliffe and Cliffe Woods Parish Council

17 Graveney Close, Cliffe Woods, Rochester, Kent ME3 8LB

Clerk/PO Mrs Alex Jack and RFO Mrs Helen Symmons

To all Parish Councillors, you are summoned to attend the **ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** of Cliffe and Cliffe Woods Parish Council to be held at <u>7:00pm</u> on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025, at the Emmanuel Centre, Parkside, Cliffe Woods ME3 8HX

# **AGENDA**

#### 1.0 Election of Chair for 2025/2026

The Parish Council Chair is elected annually at the Annual Parish Council Meeting, where his/her election is the first business on the Agenda. He/she holds office until his/her successor is elected. (LGA 1972)

All Parish Councillors are eligible to stand as Chair – please consider in advance of the meeting whether you would like to do so. (A vote will be taken if there is more than one candidate). (Acceptance of Office)

### 2.0 Election of Vice Chair for 2025/2026

All Parish Councillors are eligible to stand as Vice Chair – please consider in advance of the meeting whether you would like to do so. (A vote will be taken if there is more than one candidate). (Acceptance of Office)

# 3.0 Apologies for Absence

### 4.0 **Declarations of Interest**

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests under the Code of Conduct for Parish Councils.

A councillor, who declares a pecuniary interest may not participate in discussion or vote on the matter. If an interest is not declared at the outset of the meeting, it should be disclosed as soon as the interest becomes apparent. Dispensation may be requested in writing to the Clerk (Proper Officer) who under certain circumstances will allow a councillor to speak and vote on the matter.

# 5.0 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 16/5/2024

6.0 Matters Arising from Minutes of Meeting on 16/5/2024

# 7.0 Confirmation of Committees for 2025/2026 (And Appointment of Members)

(The Chair is ex-officio on all committees). Please consider in advance of the meeting whether you would like to serve on any of these and in the case of 7.1 and 7.2, whether you would like to stand as Chair to be selected at first committee meeting.

- 7.1 Finance and General Purposes recommended minimum 6 councillors
- 7.2 Planning recommended minimum 6 councillors
- 7.3 Personnel Panel recommended minimum 3 councillors
- 7.4 Allotment Committee recommended minimum 2 councillors
- 7.5 Footpaths and Common Land recommended minimum 3 councillors and other non-councillors as required by the committee
- 7.6 Cliffe Village Fayre Committee 2 councillors, others including non-councillors, on request by the committee
- 7.7 Website and Social/Digital Media minimum 1 councillor
- 7.8 Health and Safety Advisor to the Parish Council minimum 1 councillor

# 8.0 Agreement of updated Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

# 9.0 Election of Representatives on Outside Bodies for 2025/2026

- 9.1 Medway Council Rural Liaison Committee 1 representative (+ substitute)
- 9.2 Kent Association of Parish Councils (KALC) Medway Area Committee 2 representatives
- 9.3 Cliffe Memorial Hall Liaison up to 2 representatives
- 9.4 Cliffe Woods Community Association Liaison 1 representative
- 9.5 Brett's Liaison interested councillors and non-councillors
- 9.6 Patient Participation Group 2 representatives

10 Confirmation of arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insurable risks 11 Agreement of the Council's and/or staff subscriptions to other bodies 12 Agreement of updated Council's Procedures/Policies 12.1 Complaints Procedure

12.2 Freedom of Information Procedure

12.3 Data Protection Policy 12.4 Social Media Policy

Confirmation of the date, time and venue of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including 13 the next annual meeting of the Council

Alex Jack, Clerk/PO 8/5/2025

# **Current Committees & Members**

### **Finance & General Purposes**

Chair Robert Wyatt

Joan Darwell, Barry Dibble, Sandra Fenney, Ken Kentell (Vice Chair), Ray Letheren, Jim Wenban Clerks attend

# **Planning**

Chair Chris Fribbins

Fred Harper, Ken Kentell, Sue McDermid, Jim Wenban

#### **Personnel Committee**

Sandra Fenney, Vivienne Walton, Robert Wyatt

#### **Allotments**

Peter Clements, Robert Wyatt

#### **Footpaths and Common Land**

Robert Wyatt

### **Cliffe Village Fayre Advisory Committee**

Joan Darwell

### Website and Digital/Social Media

David Bishop

# Health and Safety Councillor (review and advise of risk assessment and procedure)

None

### Representatives on Outside Bodies Representing the Parish

# **Medway Council Rural Liaison Committee**

Robert Wyatt

### **KALC and Medway Area Committee**

Fred Harper, Sue McDermid

# **Cliffe Memorial Hall Liaison**

Joan Darwell

#### **Cliffe Woods Community Association Liaison**

Vivienne Walton

Chris Fribbins is a Management Trustee

### Cliffe & Cliffe Woods Community Trust (non-councillors can also be appointed)

David Bishop, Chris Fribbins, Ken Kentell, Vivienne Walton

# **Brett's Liaison Group**

Joan Darwell, Chris Fribbins, Ken Kentell, Ray Letheren, Sue McDermid, Jim Wenban

#### **Patient Participation Group**

Sandra Fenney, Sue McDermid