

SEMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Notice is hereby given that a Virtual/Remote meeting of the Semington Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 25 November 2020 at 8.00 pm. and you are invited to attend.

This meeting is being held using Zoom technology

AGENDA.

Prior to the commencement of the Parish Council meeting, members of the public will be given the opportunity to make any representations that they wish the Parish Council to note.

Public Participation.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

1. Apologies.

- a. To receive and to accept apologies for non-attendance.
- b. To note the resignation of Richard Blake from the Parish Council.

2. Declaration of Interests.

Councillors to declare any interests.

3. Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 21 October 2020 and Decisions taken remotely (post – Lockdown).

- a. To agree and sign the minutes of the meeting as an accurate record.
- b. To endorse the decisions taken remotely (post – COVID-19 Lockdown) – See attachment.

4. Wiltshire Council Report.

To receive a report from Wiltshire Council, Cllr. J Seed.

5. Chairman's Report.

The Chairman to update the Council on developments since the last meeting. – Refer to attached Chairman's Report.

6. Highways and Environment.

To note the purchase of a Christmas tree and to decide the arrangements for its erection and decoration.

7. Planning.

- a. To note the status of extant planning applications:

20/07304/FUL	Entrance Hall, St Georges Court BA14 6GA	Proposed Conversion of Entrance Lobby into New Dwelling	Approved
20/07850/LBC	Entrance Hall, St Georges Court BA14 6GA	Proposed Conversion of Entrance Lobby into New Dwelling	Approved

- b. To decide the comments to be sent to Wiltshire Council in respect of any planning applications received after 18 November 2020.
- c. To receive a report on the Appeal Hearing for the following Planning application:

20/01306/OUT	Land North of St Georges Road, Semington	Residential development of up to 26no entry-level affordable dwellings with associated car parking etc	Appeal Pending – APP/Y3940/W/20/3253180 (21 October 2020)
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d. To receive a report from Cllr. Wade on the proceedings of the Melksham Area Board 'Launch' of the proposed new A350 Bypass road and garner initial thoughts from parish councillors/Parish Council regarding a preferred route for that road.

e. To note any other planning matter.

8. Finance.

a. To receive a report from the Clerk on the current financial position.

b. To note the Financial Forecast and to decide if any action is necessary.

c. To agree the payments to be made.

9. Strategic Framework Guiding Semington Parish Council Activities.

To note any further progress/necessary changes to this document.

10. Chairman/Parish Council Roles.

To assign roles to councillors within the Parish Council and to nominate a new Parish Council representative(s) for the Village Hall Management Committee.

11. Semington Website.

a. To note that the semington.org.uk domain name has been purchased on behalf of the Parish Council.

b. To agree to base the style and structure of the Semington PC website on westlavington.org.uk

c. To consider and agree the page structure of the new website.

d. To note that the website text is still draft and to request any feedback on it by December 2nd.

e. To commission Dominic Muns to develop the new site in line with the specification he has presented to the Council.

12. Date of the next meeting.

To agree a date for the next Parish Council meeting – Wednesday 6 January 2021 proposed – and whether to commence the meeting, and subsequent ones, at 7.30pm.

Decisions taken remotely by Semington Parish Council – Subsequent to Contingency Plan 17 March 2020 and Post Parish Council Meeting held on 21 October 2020.

1. Payment of £62.00 to AM Print and Copy.

R P Coleman
18 November 2020

Vice-Chairman's Report, November 2020

Overview of our agenda

There are a few important decision items on our agenda tonight. In particular, we have complex information to consider on these agenda items:

8d: views on a preferred route for the **A350 Melksham by-pass**;

9 and 10: **Strategic Framework and roles**, in particular who will take on which roles;

11: **Semington Parish council website**, agreeing the style and page structure for the website, and commissioning its build.

We are also likely to want time to reflect on the Planning Inspector's decision to grant planning approval for 20 entry level houses on land north of St George's, agenda item 7(c).

Street Scene update

More planting, this time 2000 crocus bulbs, which were buried by 7 cheerful volunteers on 4th November.

Plus the first working party (limited in numbers by new covid restrictions) of the **Wessex Close Play Area Volunteers** met on 7th November. This was very ably organised and led by Ian and Laura Parsons. All the play equipment was scrubbed and washed, the swing frame painted, and the basketball area cleared back to a long lost litter bin.

Peter Smith