**Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend the**

 **STEEPLE BUMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL Meeting @ The Moot Hall**

**ON Thursday 13th February 2025 at 7.30pm for the purpose of transacting the following business.**

**Members of the press and public are welcome to attend.**

7th February 2025

Julia Howard, Clerk to Steeple Bumpstead Parish Council

**A G E N D A**

**25/020 Welcome and to receive apologies for absence Chairman**

**25/021 Declarations of Interest Information**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda

**25/022 To approve the minutes** (previously circulated) **Decision**

of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th January 2025.

**25/023 Welcome to Zion** – our new landscapes contractor

**25/024 Question Time** **Information**

Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters of mutual interest. Please note: The maximum time allowed for this item is 15 minutes but may be extended at the discretion of the Chairman

**25/025 Invitation to Cllr Peter Schwier, Essex County Council and Information**

**Cllr Diana Garrod, Braintree District Council** to address the meeting on matters of mutual interest.

**25/026 Proposals for V E Day 80 – Thursday 8th May 2025** – Suggestions for agreement **Decision**

**25/027 Anglian water road closures** – an update on the local closures and works **Information**

**25/028 Planning**

**Applications - None**

**Decisions - None**

**25/029 Neighbourhood development plan,** to receive an update **Information**

**25/030 Financial Matters To note and Decisions**

 **Item 1.** To note receipts and approve upcoming payments

 **Item 2.** Update on Notice Board action & funding to Library

**25/031 Admin Information & Decision**

**Item 1. gov email addresses, website and cyber-security** - Decision on change of accounts

**Item 2**. **Clerks report –** an update on previous delegated actions

**Item 3**. **Grants** - update on applications and grant reports, incl. s106

**Item 4**. **Emergency Plan** – this has been accepted by BDC

**25/032 War Memorial –** consideration of remedial works required **Decision**

**25/033 Flood Initiatives Group** – update following first meeting of the group **Information**

**25/034 Open Spaces Working group update** – to share status updates on all areas. **Information**

 **Item 1. To ratify the approval of Footpath 12 change of route** – the change of route is to the route currently in use and is a paperwork exercise **Decision**

 **Item 2. To consider the purchase and installation of a fire Beacon**

 **Item 3. Bench donation enquiry**

 **Item 4. Gate to Churchyard from Camping close requires maintenance**

**25/035 Events** – Christmas tree review update, VE80, Village Showcase and Bumpstead day progress / proposals **Decision**

 **O T H E R I T E M S F O R D I S C U S S I O N**

**25/036 New Play area now open** – Eastlight Community Housing has opened the North Crescent play area

**25/037 Essex Fire Team visits** – On 15/01/25 they visited to door knock and check smoke detectors

**25/038 Planting by Bellropes/Tanyard** – final update on this item, not for discussion.

**25/039 Closure of the Post office** – for information.

**25/040 Information Sharing**

**25/041 Meeting Close & Date of Next meeting** – 13th March