



Councillors are hereby summoned, and residents are cordially invited, to attend the meeting of Harrold Parish Council on **Wednesday 9th October 2024** at 7.30pm at the **Harrold Centre Main Hall** to consider the following items of business.

AGENDA

- 1 **Public Open Session:** This council is committed to community engagement and therefore warmly invites members of the public to contribute during this part of the meeting. Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicised on the agenda. Please note that interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.
- 2 **Apologies for Absence**
- 3 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda and consideration of any dispensations**
- 4 **To approve the minutes of the annual parish council meeting** held on 11th September 2024.
- 5 **Clerk's report on actions**
- 6 **Financial Matters**
 - To approve payments and note receipts, balances, and the budget variance report.
 - To receive the external audit (AGAR) completed by Mazars for the 2023/24 accounting year and to consider any remedial action.
- 7 **Playground refurbishment**

To consider quotes for items of repair and improvement to the Harrold Centre and Harewelle Way playgrounds, including items raised by the annual independent playground inspection.
- 8 **Lockup repair**

To consider quotes for a Historic Buildings Consultant to manage the repair of the Lockup building on The Green, which is a Scheduled Monument. Requirements set out by Historic England.
- 9 **Floodsacks**

To consider a request from the Harrold Flood Group for the restocking of floodsacks following a sustained period of flooding.
- 10 **Convex highway mirror**

Proposal from Cllr Calver: To review the location of the convex mirror at the junction of Dove Lane/High Street.
- 11 **Christmas tree**

To confirm a contingency plan for the erection of the village Christmas tree.
- 12 **Planning applications**
 - To consider any applications received since the last meeting, including any received after the agenda has been published:

Reference: 24/01853/FUL
Address : 133 High Street Harrold Bedford Bedfordshire MK43 7ED
Proposal: Conversion of existing outbuildings and erection of single storey side extension linked to existing outbuildings, alterations to existing conservatory and erection of carport/store to side.

13 **Borough Councillor's report for Harrold Ward**

Distributed to councillors prior to the meeting and made available on the parish council website.

14 **Request for items to be added to future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)**

Date of next meeting: 13th November 2024 — Harrold Centre