



Councillors are hereby summoned, and residents are cordially invited, to attend the meeting of Harrold Parish Council on **Wednesday 13th November 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 9th October 2024.
- 5 **Clerk's report on actions**
- 6 **Financial Matters**
 - To approve payments and note receipts, balances, and the budget variance report.
 - To agree the approach for setting the 2025/26 budget and precept
- 7 **Cemetery hedge**

To consider a quote for cutting back the hedge at the cemetery.
- 8 **Parish Council Insurance**

To agree the annual insurance quote.
- 9 **United Reformed Church grant request**

To consider a grant request from the United Reformed Church for a replacement boiler.
- 10 **Planning applications**

To consider any applications received since the last meeting, including any received after the agenda has been published:
None.
- 11 **Borough Councillor's report for Harrold Ward**

Distributed to councillors prior to the meeting and made available on the parish council website.
- 12 **Annual NJC pay scale adjustment**
 - To resolve that, under Section 1 Paragraph 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the next item of business due to the confidential nature of staff matters
 - In line with contractual obligations, to agree to implement the new pay scales as agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) for 2024-25; to be implemented (backdated) from 1 April 2024. Clerk and Street Ranger contracts are tied to this salary scale.
- 13 **Request for items to be added to future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)**

Date of next meeting: 11th December 2024 — Harrold Centre