

**TATWORTH AND FORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**NOTICE OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE**

**PARISH COUNCIL**

**To Chairman: Councillor R Down. Councillors: S. Adams, C Brown, P Chapple,**

**L Mattey, K Patay, E. Peadon, B Quinn, P Rosser & R Wardell**

**You are hereby summoned to attend the following Meeting of: Tatworth and Forton Council Parish Council.**

**Time: 7.00pm**

**Date: 6th February 2025**

**Place: Main Hall Tatworth Memorial Hall**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)**

**Nigel Tinley**

**Clerk 31st January 2025**

7pm **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** (Prior to the start of the Meeting) An opportunity for questions and comments from members of the public raising any matter of concern affecting Tatworth & Forton not already on the agenda. No decision can be taken during this session, but the Chairman may decide to refer any matter for further consideration. The Parish Council may also wish to ask for the County Council’s support on any matter of particular concern to the Parish. Members of the public are asked to restrict their comments and/or questions to three minutes. This is restricted to 15-minute period.

**Reports from Police and Somerset Councillors**

**AGENDA**

**22/25 Apologies for** **Absence –** to receive apologies for absence (Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972)

**23/25 Declarations of interest** Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the member’s register of interests or, if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.

**24/25** **To approve and sign as a correct record Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th January 2025**

**25/25 To approve Co-Option of 2 replacement Parish Councillors.**

**Candidates**

**Mrs Rebecca Jacobs**

**Mr Christopher Doel**

1. **Questions towards candidates**
2. **Who wishes to propose and second the candidates**
3. **Vote to confirm Co-Option**

**26/25 Clerk to issue to new Councillors the Code of Conduct, Register of Interest (To be returned to Clerk by 6th March) and Training dates.**

**27/25 To accept new Councillors onto committee’s that suit their interests and skill set. (Amenities, Cemetery, Finance and Planning)**

**28/25 Chairman’s Announcements**

**29/25 Consider a response to the article in the Drift concerning the Parish Council handling of the Christmas lunch.**

**30/25 Somerset Local Plan. Approve our 2 representatives to the Somerset Plan Workshops**

**31/25 To approve that the Parish Council hold a resident’s survey, including purchase domain names at no more that £20.**

**32/25 To approve the set of questions for the survey.**

**33/25 Report on flooding in Tatworth and Forton, any actions to be considered. Councillor Patay.**

**34/25 To appoint a Councillor to serve as the Parish Council's representative on the Playing Field Committee.**

**35/25 To consider and vote on the motion proposed by Councillor Chapple.**

***Tatworth and Forton Parish Council does not believe that the Local Community Network (LCN) initiative represents value for money, and recommends that Somerset Council drop it as a cost-saving measure.  If the initiative does continue, we see little value in being a member of the Chard and Blackdowns LCN, covering an area which has no natural identity, and we will not be playing an active part going forward.'***

**36/25 Consider application of a premises licence for music and alcohol for 3 days once a year. Chard rock Crewkerne Rd/Drift, in 2025 will be early August.**

**37/25 Consider the options for Watermead gate as it does not allow disabled access.**

**38/25 Clerks Report.**

**39/25 Invoices for Payment:**

Adam Taylor Ltd (Repair bench Two Ash Lane) £198.00 IncVAT

Net Staff Salaries £1181.12

Burial Account

B E Powell & Sons (Removing Soil Heap) £456.00 Inc VAT

**40/25 Matters which the Councillors wish to report. No Decisions can be made**

**DATE NEXT MEETING: 6th March 2025**