

QUATT MALVERN PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor,

You are invited to attend the meeting of Quatt Malvern Parish Council to be held on Thursday 30th January 2025 in the Village Hall, Quatt, at 7.30 pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

W.S.Griffiths

William S. Griffiths, Clerk of the Council.

OPEN FORUM 7.30 PM – 7.45 PM where members of the public are invited to speak on matters affecting the Parish.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN RESPECT OF ANY MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING.

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Other Registerable Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the consideration of that item.

3. MINUTES

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of Quatt Malvern Parish Council held on 28th November 2024.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting and not listed for consideration on this agenda.

5. POLICE REPORT

6. REPORT FROM THE LOCAL MEMBER OF SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

Councillor Colin Taylor who represents the Alveley and Claverley Division of Shropshire Council has been invited to attend the meeting and to report on the work of the Unitary Authority.

7. NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Income

Interest £83.84

b) Payments made under delegated powers since the Last Meeting

Clerk's salary and PAYE

<u>i) Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
21.12.24	W.S.Griffiths	265.88	0	net salary *
21.12.24	HMRC	66.40	0	PAYE *
21.01.25	W.S.Griffiths	196.12	0	net salary
21.01.25	HMRC	48.80	0	PAYE

* = New rate of pay + backpay

ii) Quatt Village Hall £25.00 (no VAT) Meeting of the Parish Council 28th November 2024
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iii) Website hosting

December £9.99 + VAT £2.00 = £11.99

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c) New Invoices

There are no new invoices to report

d) Clerk's and Councillors' expenses

W.S. Griffiths –

Clerks Travel Expenses - Posting of Notices 16 miles@0.45 per mile = £7.20

TOTAL £ 7.20

Telephone / Internet allowance £ 20.00

TOTAL £27.20

e) Financial Progress

To consider the summary of receipts and payments for 30th January 2025 and to approve the bank reconciliation

9. . BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2025/26

To determine the Council's Budget and Precept for 2025-2026 (See clerk's Report and appendices 1 and 2 attached).

NOTE Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 makes it an offence for a councillor in council tax arrears (with at least two months unpaid bills) to vote at a meeting of the council, a committee or of the council's executive where financial matters relating to council tax are being considered. It is also an offence if any such councillor present, who is aware of the arrears, fails to disclose that they are in arrears of council tax.

10. GRANTS AND DONATIONS

At the November meeting this council considered grant requests from the Village Hall Committee and from the Church. Any further information on the progress of these schemes will be reported to the meeting.

11. PLANNING MATTERS

a) New Planning Applications

There are no new applications to consider.

b) Determined Applications

There are no determined applications to report.

c) Community Led Plan

12. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

a) To consider any issues arising in the Parish with regards to Roads and Footpaths

b) Speeding vehicles on the A442

Despite the best efforts of the local member of Shropshire Council, Mr Colin Taylor, it has not been possible to arrange a meeting between Shropshire Highways and Quatt Malvern and Alveley and Romsley Parish Councils.

c) Private Consultants Survey

The Clerk will update on any further developments.

13. PARISH MATTERS

a) Best Kept Village Competition

A presentation was held at Quatt Village hall on Thursday 23rd January by the Community Foundation for Staffordshire and Shropshire, concerning the Best kept

Village competition. An information report is attached to this agenda but some salient facts are set out below.

i) Parish Councils often lead on applications to the scheme but other community groups can do so also.

ii) It is not just the aesthetic nature of the villages that is evaluated but also the community spirit and amenities available to residents.

iii) A group of settlements, such as a whole parish, can be entered

iv) The entrance fee is £35.00 and applications have to be made by 30th April 2025.

Does the Council want to take any action?

b) Eightieth Anniversary of VE Day

Town and parish councils are being encouraged to celebrate the 80th anniversary of VE day on Thursday 8th May 2025. Details of suggested activities can be seen at <https://www.veday80.org.uk/>

Does Quatt Malvern Parish Council wish to celebrate the event in any way?

c) To consider any other matters of concern arising in the Parish.

14. AMENDMENTS TO REGISTER OF ELECTORS

There are 196 electors on the Register.

15. REPORTS FROM OTHER MEETINGS

a) SALC

b) Village Hall Committee.

d) Bridgnorth Local Plan Review Steering Committee

16. CORRESPONDENCE

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

a) The next meeting of Quatt Malvern Parish Council will be held on Thursday 27th March 2025 in Quatt Village Hall at 7.30pm.

b) The Quatt Malvern Annual Parish meeting will be held on Thursday 24th April 2025 in Quatt Village Hall at 7.00pm