



Little Braxted Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of Little Braxted Parish Council to be held in The Braxted Bakery, Witham Lane, Little Braxted on Tuesday 5th June 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

Gordon Mussett Parish Clerk 29th May 2018

AGENDA

- **1. Apologies for absence** *To receive apologies for absence*
- **2. Declarations of Interest**For Members to declare any interests in matters on the agenda
- 3. To Consider any requests from Members for Dispensations

 To consider any requests from Members with pecuniary interests for dispensations
 to enable them to participate on the item in which they have a pecuniary interest
- **4.** To Agree and Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held 22nd May 2018

 To agree and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May 2018 as a true record
- 5. To Invite Members of the Public to speak on Matters Regarding and Affecting the Parish
- 6. To Receive and Note the Internal Audit Report for 2017/2018 to follow To receive and note the Internal Audit Report for 2017/2018
- 7. To Agree and Sign the Certificate of Exemption from a Limited Assurance Audit to follow

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- 8. To Agree the Governance Statement in the Annual Return to follow To agree the Governance Statement in the Annual Return
- 9. To Receive, Agree and Sign the Annual Return to the External Auditor to follow

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10. To Consider Re-Applying for Quality Status -attached

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11. To Apply for a Grant to Undertake a Survey on the Possibility of Extending Hi-Speed Broadband throughout the Parish - attached

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12. Clerks Report – for Information

a) Highway Issues – weight/width restrictions, bridge repairs, signage

13. Closure

ITEM 10

To Consider Re-Applying for Quality Status

The Parish Council attained Foundation Level of the Quality Parish Award in 2015. The time has now come (December 2018) to determine whether to renew our application for Foundation Quality status. The registration fee is £50, the accreditation fee depends on the size of the Council – for Little Braxted it will be a further £50.

Members are recommended to renew the application for Foundation Quality Status

ITEM 11

To Apply for a Grant to Undertake a Survey on the Possibility of Extending Hi-Speed Broadband throughout the Parish - attached

There have been enquiries from residents wishing to access the hi-speed broadband facility offered by County Broadband to part of the Parish. Because of the mixed coverage those areas of the Parish not currently able to receive hi-speed broadband from County Broadband do not qualify from the Essex County Council investment in such facilities. It is proposed to apply for a grant of £250 from the Little Braxted Educational and Community Trust to cover the net cost of a survey into the feasibility of extending the coverage across more of the Parish.

Members are recommended to make this grant application.