

BRAMPFORD SPEKE PARISH COUNCIL

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I hereby give notice of a meeting of Brampford Speke Parish Council to be held on **Wednesday 15th January 2025 at 7.30pm at Brampford Speke Village Hall**, to which Councillors are summoned.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and may speak at the Public Question Time. Members of the public wishing to ask a question at public question time can send the question to the Clerk 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting and the Chairman will read this out on your behalf if you cannot attend in person.

Tracy Watkins
Parish Clerk
Brampford Speke Parish Council

7th January 2025

Brampford Speke Parish Council: Cllr S Luxton, Cllr E Hollingsworth, Cllr R Tillett, Cllr W Honan, Cllr B Hillson, Cllr L Langdon and Cllr J Wayne

As detailed in the Council's Press & Media policy:

Most papers that have been circulated to councillors will be available (on request) to members of the public at or after the council meeting.

AGENDA

1. Apologies - To receive any apologies for absence

2. Declarations of Interest Under the Code of Conduct

Councillors are reminded of the requirement to declare any interest, including the type of interest, and reason for that interest, either at this stage of the meeting or as soon as they become aware of that interest.

3. Minutes

To adopt the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th November 2024.

4. Public Question Time

Up to 5 minutes **Public Question Time** for members of the public to bring forward any issues not on the agenda (where a matter is already on the agenda members of the public will be given an opportunity to speak when that item is considered, within the framework of the Council's standing orders). Where a decision is required, the issue will be placed on the following agenda.

5. Public Rights of Way Officer

Jon Boyd and Rich Spurway attending from the DCC Highways PROW team.

6. Affordable Housing

To receive any updates on potential housing initiatives within the Parish. See update from the developers regarding Templers Field below.

7. Planning

The following planning consultations have been received since the last meeting:

24/2503/FUL | Two-storey side extension, front extensions and alterations including material finish and fenestration. | Ashley Chase Brampford Speke Exeter EX5 5DR – no objection

24/2471/LBC | Demolishing part of existing extension and construction of two storey rear extension with associated works | 3 Church View Brampford Speke Exeter EX5 5DP – no objections

Councillors have the option to discuss any applications received after the agenda has been published.

8. Lead Councillor Updates

To receive an update from the Lead Councillors on the following:

- Verges – Cllr Luxton
- Trees & Natural Environment – Cllr Hollingsworth
- Highways and Traffic Management – Cllr Tillett
- Communications – Cllr Langdon
- Footpaths – Update from the Footpath Warden/Cllr Wayne

9. Village Hall

To receive an update from Councillors Tillett and Honan.

10. Financial Items

To receive the accounts summary to 31st December 2024 (previously approved by Cllr Hillson).

To **NOTE** the following payments were approved remotely in accordance with Financial Regulations :

2 x Payments to Tracy Watkins (November and December salary and expenses)

2 x Payments to HMRC (November and December)

2 x Payments to BT for Village Hall line rental only (paid by DD on 28.11.2024 - £12.09 & 02.01.2025 - £12.09)

1 x payment to Sowdens of £394.80 for grounds work (13.11.2024)

Note: Payments approved by Councillors S Luxton, B Hillson and R Tillett in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

Council to **NOTE** that the following payments have been received:

13.12.2024 £412.80 VAT reclaim from HMRC

11. Santander Bank Account

To discuss and **APPROVE** the removal of Mr A Birmingham and Mr A Wiles from the bank account. To discuss and **APPROVE** adding Cllr B Hillson to the bank account.

To discuss and **APPROVE** the transfer of funds from the Deposit account to the Current account with the appropriate signatories.

12. Meetings for 2025

To decide dates for meetings in 2025.

13. EDDC Update

To receive an update from Cllr Jamie Kemp, East Devon District Council.

14. DCC Update

To receive an update from Cllr Sara Randall-Johnson and Cllr Henry Gent, Devon County Council.

15. Other information/correspondence received for possible action/discussion/attendance and review of Action Points

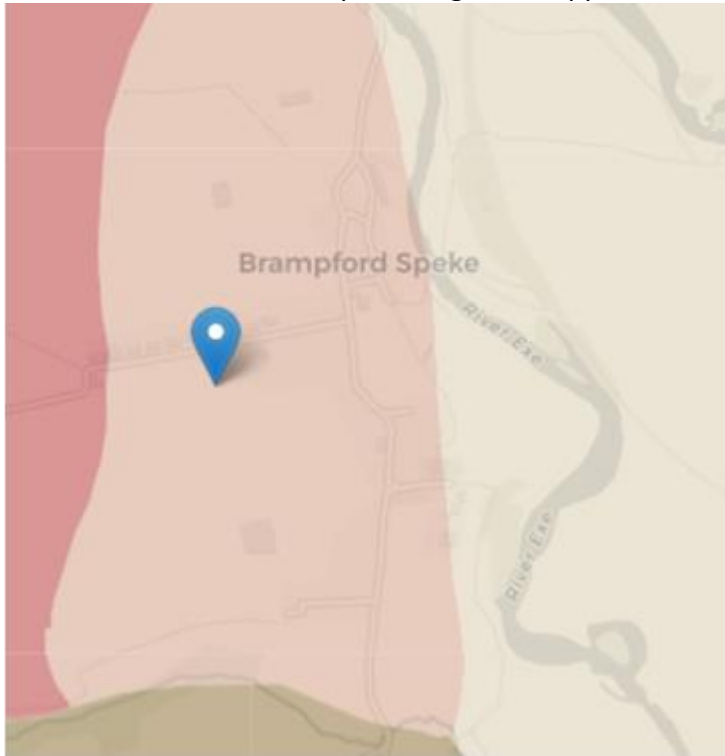
- Action Points review (as circulated)
- Speke Up Submissions

16. Date of the next meeting(s)

- Next Meeting on 12th March 2025 – Village Hall.

UPDATE REGARDING TEMPLERS FIELD

We are currently in discussion with the landowner to carry out Groundwater Monitoring, which involves soakaway testing, and if these tests are successful, we will then put in boreholes to monitor the water table for 6 to 12 months. It is not possible to progress the project any further until we have established how the land is drained in the first instance. We are hopeful that the soil is freely draining, and soakaways will be a viable solution which our desk top investigation supports.



Foul drainage is easily accessed in the main road (the redline on the image below):



We will be looking to complete a topographical survey early in the New Year and would hope to start an Ecology Survey around March.

We need to understand all the constraints before developing the scheme any further. It remains our intention for a bungalow led scheme in a cottage style, but we need to also understand the affordable housing requirement to tie the design together. Attached is an illustration of a bungalow that we have developed for a different location, utilising cottage features, just to give a sense of what we have considered elsewhere.