



**Desborough Town Council**  
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To: All Town Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend the monthly meeting of Desborough Town Council to be held in the Library building, on Thursday 14 December 2023, commencing at seven o'clock for the purpose of transacting the undermentioned business. Any Councillors who attend the meeting remotely will be able to take part in discussions with the consent of the meeting chair but will be unable to vote on any matter.

Members of the press and public are requested to attend remotely if at all possible (further details below).

Signed,

Graham Thomson  
Town Clerk

7 December 2023

**How best to attend the meeting**

The best and safest way of seeing and hearing what happens at the meeting is to watch online from the safety and comfort of your home. To join the meeting follow this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86030985181?pwd=cWc1ZGplaU9CcHN5cnBNbmK5QVBHUT09>

If necessary, use the following - Meeting ID: 860 3098 5181 Passcode: 142448

If you wish to join by audio telephone only (your normal call charges will apply) dial one of the following numbers: 0131 460 1196, 0203 481 5237, 0208 080 6591, 0208 080 6592 and use the meeting ID and password given above.

**Speaking at the meeting**

If you wish to speak during the meeting you must raise your hand to alert the Chair. To raise your hand when you are following the meeting on Zoom by telephone please press \*9, if the Chair invites you to speak you will need to press \*6.

All persons in attendance (physically or online) should be aware that they may be seen, heard, or recorded. No person may speak at the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chair.

**AGENDA**

- 99./23 To consider and if so resolved to approve reasons for apologies for absence.**
- 100./23 To consider any requests for dispensation**  
To consider any requests for dispensation for Councillors with an interest to be allowed to speak in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.
- 101./23 Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest & other Registrable Interests**  
Members are reminded that they are personally responsible for ensuring that these declarations are complete and are kept up to date and that they should be submitted to the Monitoring Officer at North Northamptonshire Council. This is a legal requirement. Any Councillor who has an interest in any item to be discussed at the meeting should declare that interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct.
- 102./23 To receive and approve the minutes of the meetings held on 16 and 30 November 2023**  
The draft minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 16 and 30 November 2023 have been circulated (to follow).
- 103./23 To discuss current developments and proposals by Bellway Homes Limited**  
Unfortunately Bellway Homes have again been unable to attend the meeting.
- 104./23 To hear representations from Members of the Public**  
Note: no decisions can be made in response to matters raised under this item.
- 105./23 To receive any reports on activity from North Northamptonshire Councillors**

### **106./23 Annual Waiting Restriction Review 2023/2024**

As Members will be aware North Northamptonshire Council receives a large number of requests to change or introduce parking restrictions across the County. Requests are considered in a programme of annual reviews, initially with local councils and councillors giving their views on locations requiring investigation. A review for the Kettering area has been conducted and NNC is requesting the Town Council's input into the proposals.

Proposal plan(s) for parking restriction changes are set out in Appendix A.

- (a) Cockerel Rise – vehicles are parking close to the supermarket and restrictions would allow for a free flow of traffic including buses along this section and keep the immediate area of Ironwood Avenue junction clear;
- (b) Ironwood Avenue – to protect the junctions and prevent vehicles parking obstructively
- (c) Rushton Road – to protect the junction on to a busy road as vehicles park too close to the junction with Regent Street.

The Council is REQUESTED to give its views on each of the proposed restrictions.

### **107./23 To discuss Police matters**

#### **107.1./23 To receive any report on activity from the Police**

#### **107.2./23 New Locally Identified Priorities for Kettering and Rural areas**

As is usual at this time of year, Northamptonshire Police has invited people living and working across the county to complete a short survey and share their views about any issues affecting their local community. The findings from the survey, together with local crime statistics and information from partner agencies, help identify the issues that will form the focus of NPT's work in the following months.

These locally identified priorities are based on the issues that are of most concern in that particular area. For the Kettering area, the three local priorities from 1 December 2023 until the end of March 2024, will be:-

- Road Safety and Road Traffic Offences
- Drug Dealing/Misuse
- Burglary

Members of the public and Councillors are invited to share thoughts and feedback for the next set of Locally Identified Priorities on the following link:

[www.northamptonshireneighbourhoodalert.co.uk/LocallyIdentifiedPriorities](http://www.northamptonshireneighbourhoodalert.co.uk/LocallyIdentifiedPriorities)

The Council is REQUESTED to give its views

#### **107.3./23 To note the Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner precept consultation**

The Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner ("the Commissioner") has launched their council tax precept survey for police and fire. The police and fire precepts are the amount that Northamptonshire residents pay towards policing and the fire service through their council tax – together, both precepts amount to around 18% of the council tax a household pays. The Commissioner is recommending an increase in the policing precept of £15 a year for a Band D household, and of £5 a year in the fire precept for 2024/25, which is the amount of funding both services need to sustain both budgets at their current level and meet cost pressures.

Members of the public as well as Councillors are able to complete the online survey which explains the impact that different council tax precept options would have on the policing and fire budgets. The survey is at the following link: <https://www.research.net/r/PreceptConfidence2024-25> and closes on 14 January 2024.

The Council is REQUESTED to note the consultation details.

### **108./23 To consider recommendations in relation to Community Grants**

A meeting of the Advisory Panel took place and considered applications for community grants which had been submitted. The Advisory Panel RECOMMENDED that no changes be made to the Community Grants Awarding Policy.

The Advisory Panel's recommendations for making grants under powers contained in s19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 are as follows:-

#### **108.1./23 Desborough Men's Shed Association**

A grant of £2,000 was requested towards the cost of heating and lighting.  
The Advisory Panel recommended a grant of £2,000 be made.

**108.2./23 Desborough Developments Working Party**

A grant of £1,000 was requested towards the cost of ongoing activities for arranging meetings, producing banners, documents, and other associated material over the course of many years.

The Advisory Panel recommended no grant be made.

**108.3./23 Air Ambulance**

A grant of £1,000 was requested towards the cost of emergency care.

The Advisory Panel recommended deferral of consideration for further information.

**108.4./23 Sunshine Pre-School**

A grant of £1,500 was requested towards the cost of play equipment, sandpit, and balance bikes. The Advisory Panel recommended a grant of £1,500 be made.

**109./23 To consider any response to planning and licensing applications and note any responses made**

The Council is REQUESTED to consider making comment on any planning or licensing matter set out in the report attached at Appendix B and to note any comments made.

**110./23 To consider any response to the Town Improvement Clauses Act 1847 - Postal Naming and Numbering**

The Council has been advised that the following suggestions have been submitted for the naming of streets at the development on land off Harborough Road, Desborough:-

Albatross	Cormorant	Curlew	Dunlin
Egret	Gadwall	Plover	Razorbill
Tattler	Avocet	Snipe	Petrel

The Council is REQUESTED to consider if the names are appropriate and if not to comment accordingly.

**111./23 To receive the finance report**

The Council is RECOMMENDED to approve the report (Appendix C).

**112./23 To consider and if so resolved to note and approve accounts for payment**

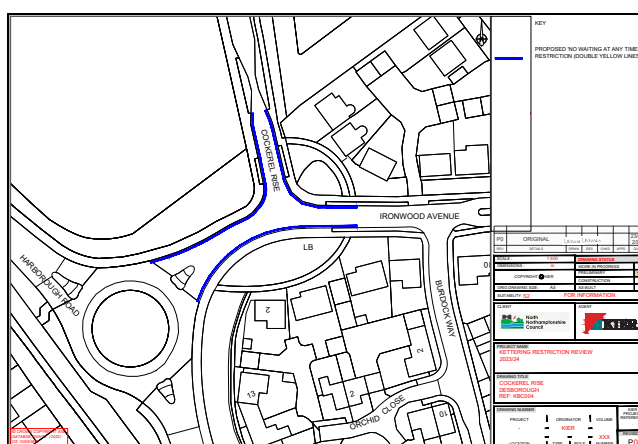
The report set out at Appendix D details those invoices and payments for payment, those authorised in accordance with the scheme of delegation, and those where payment is by continuous authority; and the Council is RECOMMENDED to approve payments.

Details in the report may be updated before the meeting as information is received.

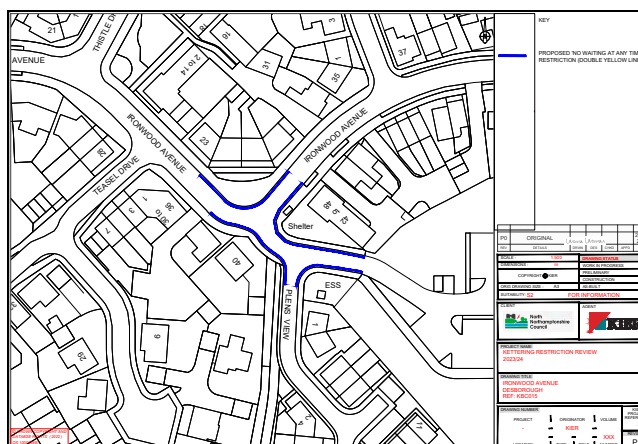
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### Annual Waiting Restriction Review 2023/2024

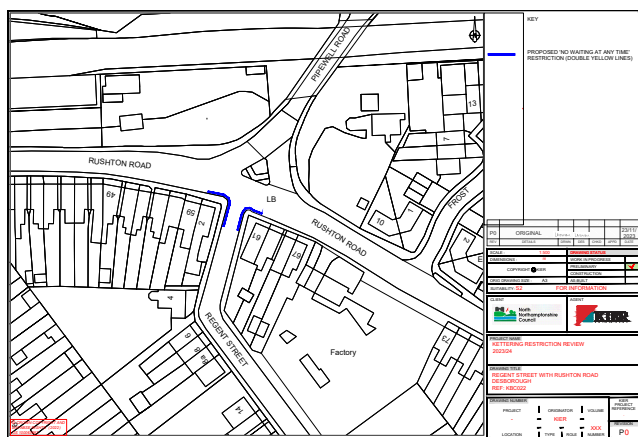
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Ironwood Avenue – Request to protect the junctions and prevent vehicles parking obstructively.



Rushton Road – Request to protect the junction on to a busy road as vehicles park too close to the junction



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**Planning and Licensing Matters**

Click the underlined text to go to details of the application on the Planning Portal of North Northamptonshire Council (link is outside the Town Council's control).

Application: [NK/2023/0725](#)

Location: 81 Breakleys Road, Desborough

Proposal: Single and two storey extensions to the rear

Application: [AOC/0249/1602](#)

Location: Land at North Desborough (Bellway Homes East Midlands)

Proposal: Condition no. 3 (Construction Management Plan) of KET/2016/0249

Application: [AOC/0169/1713](#)

Location: Land at Desborough North, Stoke Albany Road, Desborough (Bellway Homes East Midlands)

Proposal: Condition no. 11 (Construction Management Plan) of KET/2017/0169

Application: [AOC/0673/2201](#)

Location: Harbour Road (land off), Desborough (Bloor Homes)

Proposal: Condition no. 11 (Noise) of NK/2022/0673

Application: [NK/2023/0763](#)

Location: Manor House, Gold Street, Desborough, NN14 2PF

Proposal: T3 Horse Chestnut - fell; T5 Sycamore - fell; T8 Cedar of Lebanon - cut back branches; T9 Weeping Ash - cut back overhanging limbs from building

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**Finance Report**  
**Monthly Bank Reconciliation (30/11/2023)**

Unity Trust Bank Current	£1,987.42
Unity Trust Bank Saver	£3,000.00
CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund	£276,018.91
Reconciled Balance	£281,006.33

The dividend from the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund is reinvested each month into the fund. The yield in the last period was about 5.26%. The dividend reinvested was £1,292.08. Other income of £315 was received from pitch fees in relation to Gala night and £22 for room hire.

## Appendix D

**Accounts for payment**

Items may be added or adjusted as information is confirmed.

	Power	Supplier	Description	Reason	S137	VAT	Total Amount
+	1	Desborough Library and Community Hub	Town Council Office	Office Rent	-	£0.00	£798.00
+	1	Lloyds bank	Administration	Lloyds bank card fee	-	£0.00	£3.00
+	2	Talk Talk Business	Town Council Office	Internet and telephone	-	£8.33	£49.96
+	4	LGSS Pensions, HMRC, and Mr G Thomson	Salaries & all Employment Costs	Pension & salary payments (Nov)	-	£0.00	£3,048.65
+	7	North Northants Council	Administration	Section 50 Licence	-	£0.00	£740.00
+	24	Parkrun UK	Administration	Community Grants	-	£400.00	£2,400.00
+	7	Cllr J French	Events - 1940s	Masking Tape	-	£1.67	£10.00
	1	Starboard Systems Ltd	Administration	Software	-	£93.60	£561.60
+	7	Poppy Design Studios	Events - Gala	Design	-	£20.00	£120.00

Duties and Powers

+ Paid in accordance with delegated or continuous authority

- 1 Local Government Act 1972 s.111 & s.150
- 2 Local Government Act 1972 s.112
- 3 Local Government Act 1972 s.133
- 4 Local Government Act 1972 s.140 & s.140A and s.145 & s.150, Local Government Act 2000 s.101
- 5 Local Government Act 1972 s.142
- 6 Local Government Act 1972 s.143
- 7 Local Government Act 1972 s.144 & s.145
- 8 Local Government Act 1972 s.144 & s.145, Public Health Act 1936 s.87
- 9 Local Government Act 1972 s.145
- 10 Local Government Act 1972 s.150
- 11 Local Government Act 1972 s.150 & Data Protection Regulations 2018
- 12 Local Government Act 1972 s.174

\* Emergency purchase in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation

- 13 Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015
- 14 Highways Act 1980, s.274A & Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s.30
- 15 Local Government Act 1972 s.137
- 16 Public Health Act 1936, s.234
- 17 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s72, Highways Act 1980, s96
- 18 Town and County Planning Act 1990, s.61F(1),(2), & Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, s.38C(2)
- 19 Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended) s36
- 20 Local Government Act 1972, s150 & Data Protection Regulations 2018
- 21 Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003
- 22 Local Government Act 1972 s15(5) & s34(5)
- 23 Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s 29
- 24 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19