



GREAT OLDBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Elections May 2024

Great Oldbury Parish Council officially existed as of the 1st April 2024.

The seven vacancies were filled by uncontested elections and from the inaugural meeting of Great Oldbury Parish Council have been assigned the following roles:

- Cllr Phillip Ward – Chairman, Lead Councillor for Highways issues and joint Lead Councillor for Social Media, Publications and Press.
- Cllr Andrew Deighton – Vice Chairman.
- Cllr Ed Turnbull-Scott – Lead Councillor for Planning and Financial Authoriser.
- Cllr Sonia Brinkworth – Lead Coordinator for dealings with Robert Hitchins and joint Lead Councillor for Social Media, Publications and Press.
- Cllr Martin Bowman – Financial Checker.
- Cllr Chris Coombs – Financial Authoriser.
- Cllr Robert Brown, who is also the elected District Councillor for Severn Ward.

Stroud District Council Elections, the following roles have been approved:

- Chair of Council: Kate Kay. Vice Chair of Council: Matthew Sargeant.
- Leader, and Chair of Strategy and Resources Committee: Catherine Braun.
- Deputy Leader and Vice Chair of Strategy and Resources Committee: Pete Kennedy.
- Community Services and Licensing Committee: Chair - Beki Aldam, Vice-Chair Marisa Godfrey.
- Environment Committee: Chair - Chloe Turner, Vice-Chair Martin Brown.
- Housing Committee: Chair: Gary Luff, Vice-Chair Lucas Schoemaker.
- Development Control Committee: Chair - Martin Baxendale, Vice-Chair - Helen Fenton.
- Audit and Standards Committee: Chair - Bob Hughes, Vice-Chair Martin Percy.

For more information, visit www.stroud.gov.uk/council-and-democracy

A General Election has been called for Thursday 4th July 2024



Great Oldbury Parish Council Website is under construction. The website address will be www.greatoldbury-pc.gov.uk and will contain all the Parish Council's documentation including copies of policies, agenda, minutes, planning links and financial records. In addition, residents/groups can advertise their events and other hopefully useful information.

There will also be information on the Members with their email contact addresses. The Clerk's email address is clerk@greatoldbury-pc.gov.uk (and should be live by the beginning of w/c 10th June 2024).

Council Vacancy the Council will soon be advertising for a permanent Clerk/RFO/Proper Officer. Further, information will be available on the Council's new website and noticeboard.

Standish Village Hall have kindly permitted Great Oldbury Parish Council to hold their meetings in their hall free of charge, in their words "to help out a neighbouring parish in need". The hall itself is well equipped and has plenty of space for Members of the public to attend should they wish to.

Transport

Gloucestershire County Council is expanding its 'Robin' bus routes in mid-June. The Robin is a 'demand responsive transport' bus service, which must be booked in advance either by phone or via the app/website. One of the new routes is for Berkeley Vale, and it appears to cover our area, although the precise bookable routes have yet to be revealed. The new route will begin on 17 June. You can read more about it here:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/transport/the-robin/>