



WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
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**Members of the Public and the Press are invited to attend all Council Meetings
(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)**

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

Meeting	Council Meeting
Time	7.00pm
Date	1 August 2022
Place	United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street TA21 8AG

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Councillors will be discussing all the items listed on the attached Agenda and minutes will be available online and on the Council Notice Board after the meeting.

Councillors and members of the public are reminded that they shouldn't attend the meeting if they or a someone they live with has tested positive for COVID or have COVID symptoms.

Yours faithfully

David Farrow
Town Clerk
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26 July 2022

1. TO OFFER WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO APPROVE THE REASONS GIVEN

If you cannot attend, please send your apology and reason to the Town Clerk.

Councillors are reminded that failure to attend any Council meeting for 6 months, full council or committee/s, will result in them automatically ceasing to be a councillor irrespective of whether apologies are given.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

Standing declarations made by Councillors are set out at the end of the agenda.

4. MINUTES

To approve and sign the minutes of the Town Council and Planning meetings held on 6 June 2022 (copies attached).

5. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Public Attendance: For those members of the public who wish to ask a question or make a statement a three-minute time limit applies to each speaker.

N.B Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that is not specified in the summons/agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119

6. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE LOCAL POLICING TEAM

A report from Sergeant Dan Bishop will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

7. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE MAYOR

8. UNITARY COUNCIL UPDATE

Unitary councillors to provide an update on any issues of interest to the Town Council and to consider any progress reports on Local Government Reorganisation.

9. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT ON RECENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

The report is attached to the agenda for information.

10. FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 19 July 2022 are attached for information and Councillor Lithgow will provide an update at the meeting.

11. ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting held on the 19 July 2022 and relevant supporting papers are attached for information. Councillor McGuffie will provide an update. The Committee **RECOMMENDS:**

1. The Town Council establish a Green Corridor Advisory Group consisting of Town Councillors and representatives of interested community groups to support and advise the Town Council as the leaseholder of the land on the development and delivery of the vision, management plan and consultation.

2. That the Steering Group develop and run a community consultation process to be completed before the end of December 2022 and report the findings back to the Committee and through that to the Town Council.

It was further agreed that membership of the group be formed of Town Councillors and one representative from each group in the list presented (below) and, if possible, the maximum number to be kept to 10 members.

- Somerset West and Taunton Council (from 1 April 2023 Somerset County)
- Transition Town Wellington
- Wellington Community Food
- Wellington Sport federation
- The Basin Volunteer Group
- A representative, preferably a tenant, from the Allotments
- Wellington Mills CiC
- Somerset Wildlife Trust

3. That the Green Grants Policy be accepted.

4. That the Town Council seek to take possession of the Chestnut Close Play Area site and move forward with registering ownership at the Land Registry via a Solicitor.

12. TOWN CENTRE COMMITTEE

The minutes for the meeting held on the 19 July 2022 are attached. Councillor Lloyd will provide an update at the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of Somerset County Council:

Councillor Andrew Govier

Councillor Marcus Barr

Councillor Ross Henley

Members of Somerset West and Taunton Council:

Councillor Janet Lloyd

Councillor Andrew Govier

Councillor Mark Lithgow

Councillor Ross Henley

Councillor Marcus Barr

Councillor Chris Booth

Councillor Keith Wheatley