



**WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA**

**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:

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| Meeting | Environment and Heritage Committee |
| Time | 4.00 pm |
| Date | 21 March 2023 |
| Place | United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AG |

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Councillors will be discussing all the items listed on the attached Agenda and minutes will be available online 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

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15 March 2023

Committee Membership: Councillors M Barr, C Booth, K Canham, C Govier, M Lithgow, J Lloyd and M McGuffie (Chair).

1 APOLOGIES

To receive apologies and approve the reasons given.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interests, in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

3 MINUTES

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held 17 January 2023.

4 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

5 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Following the decision of the Town Council to rename the Committee and expand its role to have oversight of heritage matters in the town, to consider recommending the attached revised Terms of Reference for adoption by the Town Council.

6 HERITAGE UPDATE

To receive a report on heritage matters in the town from Jo O'Hara, Programme Manager, Heritage at Risk and Amy Kemmish, Project Manager Heritage at Risk, Somerset West and Taunton Council. A report is attached for consideration.

7 CROWN ESTATE LAND

To consider what action to recommend to the Town Council in relation to the areas of land around The Basins and Green Corridor currently held by the Crown Estate. A paper is attached for consideration.

8 GREEN CORRIDOR LAND

- (a) To receive an update from Advisory Board Meeting held on 8 March 2023 – notes of the meeting are attached.
- (b) To receive a presentation on the outcomes of the Green Corridor consultation exercise.
- (c) To consider a quote for the removal of 30 dead elm trees from the Basins Allotment boundary – quote attached for consideration.
- (d) To consider the outline terms for the underlease for the Community Farm Pilot Project – a paper is attached for consideration.
- (e) To consider contributing £3,000 from the Green Corridor Budget towards the total cost of installing stock proof fencing around the Community Farm pilot area. A paper is attached for consideration.
- (f) To consider a quote for undertaking a tree safety survey along footpaths in the Green Corridor. A paper is attached for consideration.

- (g) To consider a proposal to provide £5,000 to the Wellington and District Sports Federation from the Playing Pitch Strategy budget to enable a feasibility study to be carried out in relation to the potential provision of new junior sports pitches in the Green Corridor. A paper is attached for consideration.

9 CARBON POLICY REVIEW

A paper from the Chair of the Committee is attached for consideration.

10. SOMERSET WEST AND TAUNTON DISTRICT COUNCIL – GRASS CUTTING RICHARDS CLOSE PLAYAREA AND EMPTYING DOG BINS - 2023/2024:

Somerset West & Taunton quotation circulated prior to meeting. Shows a 10% cost increase for 2023/2024 detailed below:

Richards Close play area grass cutting:
2022/2023 - 10 Cuts = £1167.40 plus VAT
Quotation 2023/2024 -10 Cuts = £1284.14 plus VAT.

Empty Dog Bins:
2022/2023 – Twice a week £6.66 per bin
Quotation 2024/2024 – Twice a week £7.33 per bin

RECOMMENDATION to propose to the Town Council that it accepts Somerset West and Taunton District Council quotation for £8907.34 plus VAT, for grass cutting at Richards Close Play area and emptying bins in 2023/2024 . To review the position for 2024/2025.

11. LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN UPDATE

The Town Clerk will provide an update.

12. FOOTPATH UPDATE

Steve Saunders will provide an update.

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Town Clerk
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