



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	Policy and Resources Committee
Time	4.00pm
Date	20 June 2023
Place	United Reform 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.

Yours faithfully

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14 June 2023

Committee members: Councillors M Barr, K Canham, A Govier, C Govier, M Lithgow, J Lloyd, M McGuffie, J Thorne and K Wheatley

1. To Elect a Chair for the Coming Year

As per the Committee's Terms of Reference, the Mayor will be appointed Chairman of the Committee at its first meeting following the Annual Meeting of the Council unless a motion is passed to the contrary.

2. To Receive Apologies for Absence and to Approve the Reasons Given

3. Minutes

To approve and sign the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee Meeting held on 17 April 2023.

4. Questions and Comments from Members of the Public

Members of the public attending the meeting are invited to speak to the Committee for no longer than three minutes.

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

The Committee's current Terms of Reference are attached. They should be reviewed, and any changes recommended to the next Full Council Meeting.

6. To Agree Dates for Committee Meetings for the Coming Year

At the Annual Council Meeting, it was decided that each Committee should review the frequency, dates and times of their meetings. The Policy and resources Committee meets every other month. On the draft calendar, it is proposed to hold the meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of alternate months, starting at 4.00pm.

7. Town Council Forward Plan

To consider a process for developing a Town Council Forward Plan to cover the remainder of this Council i.e. until April 2027. A copy of the Council's Vision, last reviewed in June 2022 is attached for information.

8. Longforth Farm Toilet Block – Project Plan

A copy of the Project Plan and Risk Register developed by Ravenslade is attached for information. Hard copies will be available at the meeting. The Town Clerk will provide an update on progress.

9. Basins – Rockwell Green Footpath

To consider proposals for making the footpath between The Basins and Rockwell Green more accessible. A paper is attached for consideration.

10. Public Open Spaces on New Developments

To consider whether the Committee wishes to recommend to Full Council that, for any future housing or other developments in the town, it will take on responsibility for the management of green spaces contained within them if needed.

11. The Kings Arms

To receive an update on the project and to consider whether to recommend to Full Council that it provides financial support by covering the rent and utility costs of the community space initially for the two years of operation whilst it gets established. A paper is attached for consideration.

12. Future of Allotments Committee

To consider future arrangements for the management and oversight of the Town Councils Allotments.

13. Ivy House and The Old Vicarage

To consider recommending to the Full Council that it establishes a Working Group to have oversight of the work related to determining the Council's position in relation to the possible management of Ivy House and The Old Vicarage.

14. Subsidised Public Transport

Councillor M McGuffie proposes that given that off-peak buses to Taunton are not full that this unused capacity is environmentally wasteful and there is a risk that some residents are put off using them by the cost.

On that basis the Council wishes to explore with stakeholders any options to reduce the cost of buses to Taunton for residents and increase their use. This will provide environmental and social benefits. Our ambition would be for free off peak travel at least one day a week.

15. Community Transport

Councillor M Lithgow would like to propose that the Council explore establishing a community transport service to support those parts of the town without access to public transport.

16. Scarecrow Competition

Councillor M Barr will present updated proposals following the Full Council meeting on the 3 June 2023.

17. Mayors/Council Charity Fund

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18. Banking Hub Update

The Town Clerk will provide a verbal update.

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Town Clerk
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