



WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

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:

Meeting	TOWN CENTRE COMMITTEE
Time	6.00pm
Date	Tuesday 19 th September 2023
Place	United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AG

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

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6th September 2023

Committee Membership: Councillors S Booker, M Barr, C Booth, C Govier, M Lithgow, J Lloyd, N Powell-Brace, K Wheatley.
Sharon Davis, Sean Pringle-Kosikowsky, Zoe Old, Marion Vincent.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

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 Town Centre Committee meeting held on 11th July 2023 and the Extraordinary Meeting on 23rd August 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. TOWN CENTRE ENGAGEMENT

The list of ideas - Committee meeting held on 11th July 2023. Council Officers have created a Table of Ideas/Projects following the Town Centre engagement. Each item is now been assigned a committee, who will consider whether they wish to progress the project.

Cllr S Booker (Chair): The committee to consider which ideas they would like to explore further. The Committee are invited to bring other suggestions to the meeting on how we can spruce up the town.

6. POP UP SHOP

A report from the Deputy Clerk is attached.

- Mayor has asked to use the shop for fundraising in January and would like to utilise the whole month. The Committee need to approve the use of council resources for Mayor's Fund Raising. It should be noted that it is expected that 2 weeks in January will be required to carry out final items of the refresh (painting and carpeting).

7. EVENTS 2023/2024/2025

a. CHRISTMAS MARKET & LIGHTS SWITCH ON – 25th November 2023

- i. Expenditure to date circulated prior to meeting.
- ii. Fuse Performance Ltd quotation of £1160.00 for 4 Jugglers including a fire juggler (Street Entertainment)
- iii. Steve Hawker PA System quotation £650.00
- iv. Bridgwater Guy Fawkes Carnival Ltd – Traffic Management £1,100.00
- v. Bay Media – 7 Lamp Post Banners - £1225.00
- vi. Pro Sound and Light – Stage Hire - £900.00
- vii. Carly Press – The Edge. October's Edition – one page advert £100.00

RECOMMENDATION to approve quotations as detailed above from Fuse Performance Ltd £1160.00, Steve Hawker £650.00 and Bridgwater Guy Fawkes Carnival Ltd £1100.00. Bay Media Lamp Post Banners - £1225.00. Pro Sound and Light Stage Hire £900.00. Carly Press £100.00.

b. TOWN COUNCIL 50TH ANNIVERSARY

To consider arrangements to mark the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Town Council in April 2024.

c. 300th ANNIVERSARY OF DANIEL DEFOE VISITING THE TOWN

In 1724 Daniel Defoe visited Wellington as part of his tour of Great Britain. Councillor Thorne would like the committee to consider how this anniversary could be marked.

d. 2025 – 810th ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN BEING GRANTED ITS ROYAL CHARTER

The Town was granted its Royal Charter in 1215. Councillor Thorne would like the committee to consider how this anniversary should be marked.

8. FUTURE ROAD CLOSURE FEES – Letter of Complaint to Somerset Council

The Full Council asked that this was referred back to the Committee for further discussion on how to apply the agreement that one application can cover several events in one 18 month period. On-line event application to be submitted early January. We have approached Wellington Produce Market to include their market days on the High Street.

9. CORNHILL VICTORIAN LANTERN

Town Council to consider refurbishment quotations below:

- 1) Anubis Contracting & Engineering Ltd, Tiverton - £930.00
- 2) LS Fabrications, West Buckland - £660.00

To shot blast the lantern before powder coating it in black to include four new glass panels.

Attempts have been made to obtain the third quotation.

Assets & Events Officer to get a structural engineer to confirm the archway is structurally sound to hold the lantern. To obtain permission from the owner of former Children's Hospice Charity Shop. Further work will then need to be done to get a power supply to the lantern.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 14th November 2023 at United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington.

David Farrow
Town Clerk