



**WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT 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:

Meeting	Environment Committee
Time	6.00 pm
Date	18 September 2024
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.

Yours faithfully

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12 September 2024

Committee Membership: Councillors C Booth, C Govier, M Lithgow, M McGuffie (Chair), S Pringle-Kosikowsky (Vice Chair) and K Wheatley (1 vacancy).

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2 APOLOGIES

To receive apologies and approve the reasons given.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4 MINUTES

To approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 17 July 2024.

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 FOOTPATH UPDATE

Steve Saunders will provide an update.

7 BUDGET REPORT

To consider spend against budgets allocated to the Committee for 2024/5 and to begin to consider budget requirements for 2025/6 (paper to follow).

8 CLIMATE CHANGE PROJECT OFFICER

To consider recommending to the Town Council that the current post of temporary part time (0.4) Climate Change Project Officer is made permanent (paper to follow).

9 TREE STRATEGY

- (i) Green Corridor – to consider a Woodland Creation Scheme for the Green Corridor developed by the Woodland Trust. If approved costs to be met from the Green Corridor Budget (paper to follow).
- (ii) Town Wide Strategy – to consider a draft tree planting plan for the town (paper to follow).
- (iii) Tree Planters – to consider a proposal for using planters to create a tree nursery around the town.

10 CLIMATE CHANGE PLAN UPDATE

To receive an update on the Climate Change Strategy (paper to follow).

11 OPEN SPACES MANAGER REPORT

To receive an update on work since the last meeting and to consider the following:

- (i) Gay Close – to consider quotes to remove rubber crumb and concrete from former play area bases and add topsoil ready for planting.
- (ii) Weavers Reach Bridge – to consider quotes for replacing rotting timber.
- (iii) Burchills Hill Play Area - to consider quotes for repairing areas of the play surface.
- (iv) War Memorial - to consider quotes for installing handrails to the side of the steps of the War Memorial.
- (v) Additional Bulb Planting - to consider a proposal for bulb planting from Chelston Roundabout towards Wellington including around new signage.

Papers on all of the above to follow.

12 DORMOUSE WOOD

To receive an update on the Dormouse Wood following a meeting with David Lohfink, Planning Director, CG Fry (paper to follow).

13 BASINS ALLOTMENT ADVISORY BOARD

To note the notes of the meeting held on the 29 July 2024 (paper to follow).

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