



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,

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| Meeting | Economic Development Committee |
| Time | 6.00pm |
| Date | Wednesday 13 August 2025 |
| 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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7th August 2025

Committee Membership: Councillors C Booth, M Lithgow, J Lloyd, S Mercer, C Penk, J Thorne and K Wheatley

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1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies 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 Town Centre Committee meeting held on 11th June 2025.

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. EVENTS WORKING GROUP

To approve and sign the minutes of the Events Working Group meeting held on 28th July 2025. To consider the following **RECOMMENDATIONS**:

- i) Christmas 2025 – to approve Somerset Council's fee of £4435 plus VAT for free parking on Saturday 29th November, 6th, 13th and 20th December 2025.
- ii) Wellington Day – to approve holding "Wellington Day" annually on the nearest Saturday to the 16th August to commence in the 2027/2028 financial year. The event theme will be a "Family Activity Day". Council Officers to work on event details and costings to include in the 2026/7 and 2027/8 budget setting processes

6. TOWN CENTRE CAR PARKS

Councillor K Wheatley to update the Committee. (Email response from Somerset Council circulated with agenda)

7. FILM FESTIVAL – 3rd to 5th October 2025

Councillor K Wheatley to update on arrangements.

8. PROMOTION OF WELLINGTON

Councillor K Wheatley to provide an update following a meeting with Visit Somerset on 1 August 2025. Committee to consider the following:

- i) To approve a cost of £500 for a two-year Licence Agreement to use artwork by a local artist to support the Discover Wellington project. (Draft Licence and artwork circulated with the agenda)

9. PULSE

To note the email from Pulse Smart Hubs and map of locations and consider whether to continue to support the proposal.