



**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	7.00 pm
Date	17 September 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.

Yours faithfully

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11 September 2025

Committee Membership: Councillors C Booth, S Fox, J Lloyd, M Lithgow, M McGuffie and S Pringle-Kosikowsky.

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 Environment Committee meeting held on 20 August 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 are 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. FOOTPATH UPDATE

Steve Saunders will provide an update.

6. OPEN SPACES MANAGER REPORT

To receive an update on work since the last meeting. (Paper attached).

7. OPEN SPACES MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

- i) To consider installing new planters by North St Toilets. (Paper attached)
- ii) To consider the Year 2 tree strategy funding approval request (Paper attached)

8. NATURE RECOVERY POLICY

To review and recommend for approval at Full Council. (Draft policy attached)

9. WASTE BINS REVIEW

To consider how to progress this review. (Paper attached)

10. SOMERSET COUNCIL – LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN CONSULTATION

To consider what comments to make on the Draft Local Transport Plan (Paper attached)

11. STREET CLEANSING CONTRACT

To consider recommending to Full Council that a Street Cleansing Contract Working Group is established. (Paper attached)

12. CLIMATE CHANGE UPDATE

To receive an update since the last meeting.

13. JOINING 2026 WATER MARK TOWN COHORT

To consider the following: (Paper attached)

- i) That the Environment Committee supports entering discussions with Wessex Water to take part in the 2026 Water Mark Town scheme.
- ii) That the Community Development Officer is authorised to coordinate an initial expression of interest and begin preparing for a workshop in early 2026.
- iii) That a future report be brought back to the Committee in late 2025 with a proposed activity plan shaped by the Wessex Water engagement process.

14. BUDGETS

To review actual and committed spending for delegated budgets for the 2025/26 year (paper attached). Also to consider items for inclusion in the 2026/27 (and onwards) budget.