

**To all members of the Town Council**

**You are SUMMONED to attend a MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 at 7.30pm to be held in the Unionist Hall. The press and public are also invited to attend.**

*Councillors are reminded that as office holders they are expected to comply with the Nolan Principles and the Council's Code of Conduct as well as showing respect for others in accordance with the law.*

**Agenda**

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interests**
- 3. Minutes of previous meetings**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
- 4. Public Question Time**
- 5. To review the action points from previous meetings**
- 6. Minutes and Recommendations from Committees and Working Groups:**
  - a) Planning Committee** – to note the minutes of the meetings held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August and 24<sup>th</sup> August. **To elect a Chair of the Planning Committee, following the resignation of the current Chair.**
  - b) Jubilee Park Development Programme Working Group** - to note the minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> July and consider any recommendations.
  - c) CEEWG** – to receive an update following the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> August and to consider the following recommendation: **That the Town Council resolves to:**
    - in this year of COP26 add our voice to calls by the Local Government Association and the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport & others for a joint local & national government Task Force to plan action to reach 'net zero' emissions. Such a partnership can set appropriate regulations benchmarks and targets and create the much needed long-term funding mechanisms to enable local communities and economies to decarbonise whilst remaining resilient and sustainable.
    - write to Alok Sharma MP, President for COP26 , the Prime Minister and the Chief Executive of the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) informing them of our support for a joint Local/National Government Climate Change Partnership Taskforce and asking for one to be established as soon as possible.
  - d) Retrofit Working Group** – to receive an update following the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> August.
- 7. Library Junction** - to consider plans submitted by Somerset County Council for changes to the layout of Library Junction and agree any comments to submit.

**8. Reports from District Councillor Lucy Trimmell and County Councillor Anna Groskop.**

**9. Station Road Car Park**

- a) To note a report on electric vehicle charging options and agree any action to be taken.
- b) To consider reallocating funds from earmarked reserves to supplement the funds already allocated from grants and the Town Council's budget.

**10. Somerset Unitary Authority**

- a) To consider forming a trial Local Community Network with Castle Cary and Wincanton Town Councils.
- b) To consider whether to support the rescheduling of town and parish council elections from 2023 to 2022, to align with elections to the shadow unitary authority.

**11. SALC and Somerset County Council "Opening Up Safely" grant – to consider applying for a grant and to agree Councillors to work on project ideas.**

**12. GWR Customer and Community Programme – to note the availability of grants and consider making an application.**

**13. Bank Reconciliations**

To approve the bank reconciliations for the HSBC current and deposit accounts and the Unity Trust current account to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021.

**14. Budget Position**

To note the budget report to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021.

**15. Accounts for Payment - Members to consider the schedule of payments (August 2021)**

**16. Reports Council to receive reports from:**

- a) Members representing the Council on outside/other bodies
- b) Town Councillors
- c) Chairman

**17. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC - To consider exclusion of press and public for remainder of meeting under Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business relates to confidential information regarding a third party organisation.**

**18. To receive a report from regarding a recent meeting relating to a third party organisation and consider nominating an asset of community value.**

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