

## To members of the Town Committee

**COUNCILLORS:** Anderton, G Baker, Buckland, Coulter, Crawford, Fradley, Robinson and Taylor.

You are **SUMMONED** to attend a **MEETING** of the **TOWN COMMITTEE** on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.30pm** to be held in **BRUTON SCOUTS HALL, St Catherine's Hill, Bruton**. 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.*

Before the start of the meeting, in accordance with Standing Order 3 (e) there will be an opportunity for members of the public to comment on agenda items (at the discretion of the Chair of that meeting).

In accordance with Standing Order 3 (f) the question/comment time is limited to 3 minutes each, and the session should not exceed 15 minutes (unless directed by the Chair of that meeting). *Contributions from members of the public do not form part of the official meeting and will not normally be included in the official minutes unless they are deemed helpful in explaining subsequent Council decisions.*

Please be aware that the proceedings may be filmed or recorded.

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**Assistant Town Clerk**  
**5<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

## **AGENDA**

**T24/56: Apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85 (1)).**

To receive and approve any apologies of absence.

**T24/57: Declarations of interest.**

Declarations of Interests Members to declare any interests, including disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the

requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any written requests from members for dispensations that accord with the Localism Act 2011 s33 (b-e) (This does not preclude any later declaration).

**T24/58: Minutes of the previous meeting (LGA 1972 sch 12 para 41 (1)).**

To agree [the minutes of the last meeting](#) on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024 as a true and accurate record.

**T24/59: To receive [a short written report](#) from the clerk and an update regarding actions from the previous meeting.**

This report will be circulated and will be available on the Bruton Town Council website.

**T24/60: Footpaths working group.**

To receive an update from the last meeting and to consider and agree any recommendations as required.

**T24/61: Abbey Ponds working group.**

To receive an update from the last working group meeting and to agree any recommendations as required.

**T24/62: Allotments**

To receive an update regarding the recent allotment inspections.

**T24/63: Town Committee Budget.**

- a. To note Spend to Budget to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.
- b. To consider the budget for 2025/26.

**T24/64: Church Bridge.**

To discuss build up of silt and vegetation on the Patwell Pump side of the bridge, and keeping the arches of the bridge clear, and to decide any next actions.

**T24/65: Picnic Benches at stepping stones area**

The progress of installing picnic benches at the stepping stones area was put on hold last year due to reports of anti-social behaviour. To revisit and review options.

**T24/66: Condition Survey of Jubilee Park walls.**

To review the condition survey of the walls at Jubilee Park (if received) and to decide upon next actions.

**T24/67: Library Junction Area Enhancement. Item deferred at last meeting.**

To discuss next actions after response to recent sponsorship request.

**T24/68: Maintenance of Town Council assets. Item deferred from last meeting.**

- a. To discuss maintenance spreadsheet compiled recently, of all Bruton Town Council areas of responsibility, and decide upon next steps.

**T24/69: Cemetery.**

- a. To review proof and quote of proposed signage, and agree to proceed with the sign.
- b. To consider a quote obtained to remove a large ash tree with ash dieback, which presents a risk of damage to gravestones. To make a recommendation

to full council to go ahead with removing the tree, and fund the works from general reserves.

**T24/70: Defibrillator at West End: new battery required.**

- a. It has been reported that the defibrillator requires a new battery which costs £247. To discuss and recommend to full council to replace the battery.
- b. To consider an increased defibrillator budget for next year and subsequent years, to cover replacing the batteries in Jubilee Park defibrillator (replacement due in 2028), the Enterprise Centre and Unionist Club defibrillators (replacements due in both in 2026).

**T24/70: Date of next meeting 12th November 2024.**

The next meeting is on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Agenda items to the clerk by 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

**END OF AGENDA**