

WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Environment & Town Working Party on MONDAY 7 February 2022 at 6.30 p.m. on Zoom platform, ID: 386 170 0358 The working party meeting will be held to the same standard as a committee but any decision taken at a working party meeting does not constitute a lawful decision of council - the Council has resolved to meet as a working party to allow meetings to continue using Zoom to ensure all councillors are able to participate even if they do not feel able to attend face to face meetings.

All delegated decisions will be reported in line with guidelines for Open and Accountable Government (Openness of Local Government Bodies 2014)

Admission of public: If you wish to join the meeting please contact the Town Clerk for full meeting details.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Variation of Order of Business

Including to consider a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960 s1) to exclude members of the press and public in order to discuss an agenda item

3. Members' Interests in Agenda Items

To enable Members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

4. Open Forum

Time for this session is limited to 15 minutes; 3 minutes per person

- Public Forum (At the start of the meeting, a period is available for members of the public to address the Council)
- Cllrs with a pecuniary interest making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the business to be transacted

5. Drainage in Wirksworth (Cllr Barker)

Proposal to establish a working party to systematically identify and review issues of drainage in and around Wirksworth, particularly in the light of increased rainfall and climate change. Further factors include the way that one side of the town sits on Edale Shales, which are notorious for land slips as well as the flooding at Hannage Brook, and the reports regarding flooding that came as objections to a planning application at Miller's Green.

6. Council Tax charged on long term empty homes

DDDC are consulting on a proposal to increase Council Tax. From 1 April 2020 councils have had the power to triple the Council Tax on homes empty for five to 10 years and, from 1 April 2021, quadruple it for those that are empty for more than a decade. DDDC already charge double Council Tax on homes that have been empty for more than two years. Empty homes are defined as those that are unoccupied and substantially unfurnished.

https://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/your-council/have-your-say/consultations/current-consultations/3497-empty-homes-premium-consultation

7. Footpath (attached)

A representative of Derbyshire Dales Ramblers has reported new palisade fencing on perimeter of Middle Peak Quarry alongside permissive path.

8. Memorial Bench (attached)

The location has now been clarified, and the proposed site is on a slim grass verge on the road side of Breamfields.

9. Tree Survey (attached)

A tree survey (negative reporting basis) of all Town Council owned/leased land can be undertaken at a cost of £1250 +vat.

10. 20 Mph Speed Limits / 20s Plenty Campaign

To consider amendments to original area and proposal by Cllr Brown in 2015 for reduced speed limits in the town and to consider how the matter might be progressed in light of the 20s Plenty campaign.

11. Town Footpath Maintenance (Cllr Taylor)

Reports received of lots of mud on Harrison Drive bridge.

12. Railway Liaison (Cllr Taylor)

A resident has contacted the council with a further complaint about the Railways activities.

13. Measured Building Survey (attached)

As part of the Town Council's carbon reduction program, a full survey of the Town Hall is required, 3 quotes have now been received.

14. Meadows (attached)

Following completion of stage 2 of the consultation, an outline document has been drafted summarising the findings. Cllr Clamp, Cllr Pollock and Cllr Taylor have agreed a brief based upon the results to guide the 3 shortlisted designers.

15. Queens Jubilee (attached)

D Cllr M Ratcliffe has shared further information regarding support for activities linked to this national celebration.

 $\frac{https://www.nalc.gov.uk/news/entry/1976-celebrate-her-majesty-the-queen\%E2\%80\%99s-platinum-jubilee}{}$

16. Planning Applications received (Delegated Planning - Appendix 1)

17. Planning Decisions & Appeals (Appendix 2)

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Appendix 1 - Planning Applications received

1	21/01545/FUL	Single storey rear extension, extension and alterations to roof,	
		external cladding and replacement windows to dwelling	
		Glenaskin 6 Summer Lane Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4EB	
WTC	C - No comment, Ho	owever Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency	
and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint			
2	21/01555/LBAL	Proposed addition of lead cowls over windows to prevent water	
	T	ingress	
		Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust 1 - 3 Greenhill Wirksworth	
		Matlock Derbyshire DE4 4EN	
WTC - No comment, However Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency			
and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint			
3	T/22/00002/TPO	Felling of 1no. sycamore tree	
		Agricola House 4 Church Street Wirksworth Matlock Derbyshire DE4	
		4EY	
WTC - No comment, However Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency			
and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint			
4	21/01520/FUL	Erection of shed to front (retrospective) and replacement boundary	
		fence to side	
		9 Swaines Meadow Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4EW	
WTC - No comment, However Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency			
and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint			
5	21/01526/FUL	Installation of air source heat pump, installation of 2no. rooflights and	
		replacement windows to front	
		30 The Dale Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4EJ	
WTC - No comment, However Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency			
and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint			
6	22/00014/FUL	Erection of an agricultural storage building	
		Land Rear Of 6 Rise End Middleton By Wirksworth Matlock	
		Derbyshire	
WTC - No comment, However Wirksworth Town Council has declared a Climate Emergency			
and	and therefore supports any development or change that seeks to reduce the carbon footprint		

Appendix 2 - Planning Decisions & Appeals

(decisions are only to be reported where the Town Council have objected to application.)

21/00927/FUL	New Front Door at 43 St John Street, Wirksworth,
APP/P1045/D/21/3289721	Derbyshire, DE4 4DS