

WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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14 July 2020

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council on MONDAY 20 July 2020 at 6.30 p.m. on Zoom platform, meeting ID: 386 170 0358 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. 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.

3. 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)
- Police Matters (A police representative may be in attendance to offer information or respond to questions from Councillors on Police matters)
- Cllrs with a pecuniary interest making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the business to be transacted
- District & County Councillor Reports
- 4. To confirm the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council held on 15 June 2020 & 6 July 2020 (attached)
- 5. Town Mayor's Announcements
- 6. Accounts Paid April 2020, May 2020 and June 2020 in the sums £18562.68, £15153.39 and £16658.07
- 7. Traffic measures re COVID 19

Derbyshire County Council are proposing the introduction of a pedestrian one-way system to mitigate the narrow pavement adjacent to the pedestrian crossing near to the marketplace.

8. The Society for Local Council Clerks and National Association of Local Councils are seeking financial support for the sector

Wirksworth TC alongside many other Town & Parish Councils are dealing with financial impacts arising from the Coronavirus; in 2019/20, approximately 1/3 of income was generated from sources other than precept. SLCC are requesting that council make representation to Robert Jenrick MP, Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government reiterating the need for support to secure the financial viability of town and parish councils in England.

9. Concessionary Rates/Support for smaller Leasehold tenants

The council agreed (resolution C009/20) to review in July whether to extend further support, it is proposed that to support these businesses in returning back to work the rental concession for smaller tenants be phased out over a period of months.

10. Farmers Market

The council agreed to allow an exception booking in July (whilst all other occasional lets remain cancelled), but this did not proceed as the organiser was not prepared to operate without public access to toilets: resolution C009/20 was to review in July whether to extend further support/bookings. A further request has been made for the Town Council to agree to allowing an occasion booking to enable a Farmers Market to operate in August and September with the proviso that the Town Council operated toilets are open and publicly accessible when the market is open.

11. Town Councillor Representative Reports

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