



# WIRKS WORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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14 November 2023

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council on MONDAY 20 November 2023 at 6.30 p.m. in the Town Hall, Wirksworth.

**Admission of public: If you wish to join the meeting, please contact the Town Clerk for full meeting details including Covid precautions.**

## 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: (3 minutes per speaker, total available 15 minutes)**
  - *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*
5. **To confirm the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Wirksworth Town Council held on 16 October 2023 (attached)**
6. **Town Mayor's Announcements**
7. **To receive the recommendations from Committees:-**
  - *Environment and Town dated 6 November 2023 (cancelled due to staff sickness)*
  - *Finance Buildings and Personnel dated 13 November 2023 (attached)*

*The following items (urgent) would normally be dealt with by Environment and Town meeting, all other items will be deferred to December committee meeting.*

8. **Safer Roads Group (attached)**

To consider what support might be given to the recently established community group which has the initial objectives:-

  - to improve road safety in Wirksworth
  - to improve health through noise and emissions reduction
  - to enhance accessibility of footpaths to facilitate school routes, walking, pushchairs, bikes, wheelchairs etc.
9. **Delegated Decision/Action**

DCC have issued an initial consultation to change the speed limits to 30mph on B5023 (Cromford Road,

Harrison Drive, St Johns Street, Warmbrook and Derby Road). The deadline for comment would not allow ratification at full council and therefore the matter was dealt with using delegated powers (WTC made a request for this change in 2019). The following a response was made “The proposal accords with the Town Council’s past request for action and no amendments are requested at this stage of the process therefore Wirksworth Town Council welcomes this proposal and raises no objection.”

*The remaining items are matters for full council.*

**10. Accounts Paid**

October 2023 in the sum of £ 30305.53

**11. Meadows Budget**

To clarify the current position and financial preparations to progress the Meadows project.

**12. Budget and Precept 2024-25 (attached)**

To consider any issues that should be considered or included in the initial draft budget.

**13. Concessionary Lets in 2024/25**

To consider approval of a concessionary let to the Festival of (upto) 10 days at a value of £4950 (in 2023/24) and Well Dressing/Carnival of (upto) 3 days at a value of £1650 and what support might be provided to other annual events.

**14. Support for High Sheriff**

Resolution C22/152, To support High Sheriff Theresa Peltier during her Shrieval year. The High Sheriff has requested use of the Town Hall in early 2024 to host a civic celebration to recognise and thank local groups and volunteers.

**15. Land Adjacent to Stoney Wood entrance (attached)**

DDDC have now confirmed that the designation of the site is no longer “Temporary Tolerated Travellers Site”. In the previous term of the Council it was resolved that the blocks should be removed in the event that the designation cease and also that the District Council should be approached regarding a potential asset transfer of the land to WTC.

**16. Task List – Outstanding Actions (attached)**

All actions arising from committee / council meetings are tracked.

**17. Town Councillor Representative Reports**



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