



WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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16 April 2024

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council on MONDAY 22 April 2024 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 18 March 2024 (attached)**
6. **Town Mayor's Announcements**
7. **To receive the recommendations from Committees:-**
 - *Environment and Town dated 8 April 2024 (attached)*
 - *Finance Buildings and Personnel dated 15 April 2024 (attached)*
8. **Accounts Paid**

March 2024 in the sum of £ 24,044.83
9. **Meadows Working Party Recommendations – Appointment of Contractor**

To appoint Wildscapes CIC as the contractor to undertake the 1st phase of the landscaping works. That the appointment is subject to a further negotiation/agreement to ensure that the maximum proportion of the project can be delivered within the assigned initial budget of £180k* (delegate to the Meadows Working Party on which elements should be included within the specification – to value engineer the original design). That a fixed price contract (with costed provisional items) be prepared by Urban Wilderness.
10. **Atrium Roof Repair**

Recommendation of FB&P Committee: that Ashbrook Roofing be instructed to undertake a repair to the roof at a cost of £25500+vat.

**Resolution C23/99 - The 3 principles that will underly all Council Decisions are:
Community Cohesion, Communication and Environmental Impact**

These works are too complicated for the two roofing/building contractors who normally undertake work on the council building and given the pressing nature* of the works required combined with the specialist and complex nature of the work it is felt that risks posed by delaying works whilst seeking further quotes would not be in the public interest.

*to retain insurance cover, the underwriter/policy provider, Aviva, requires action by June, combined with the continuing deterioration in the fabric of the building posed by delaying commencement of the works. Ideally the works need to occur in the summer months when the building usage is lower and the weather should be more favourable. Any start later than this is likely to impact the building use for Festival as well as the increased volume of bookings/occasional lettings that occurs in September.

11. Town Councillor Representative Reports



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