



WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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11 November 2025

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council on MONDAY 17 November 2025 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. (*If you wish to attend the meeting remotely please contact the Town Clerk)

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 Meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council held on 20 October 2025 (attached)**
6. **Town Mayor's Announcements**
7. **To receive the recommendations from Committees:-**
 - Environment and Town dated 3 November 2025 (attached)
 - Finance, Buildings and Personnel dated 10 November 2025 (attached)
8. **Accounts Paid**

October 2025 in the sum of £45,380.00
9. **Footpath Request**

A resident has requested that the Town Council consider improving the footpath network from Bolehill to Wash Green.
10. **Donation/Display of Art Work / Memorabilia (attached)**

The Town Council have been approached with 2 separate requests. With the closure of the Heritage Centre, it is proposed that the Town Council consider a policy to deal with these and future requests.
11. **Town of Culture (Cllr Clamp)**

The Govt have opened nominations for the UK Town of Culture competition, which is targeted at small and medium sized towns.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-town-of-culture-competition-to-shine-a-spotlight-on-the->

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

contribution-of-towns-that-tell-national-story

12. Budget and Precept 2026-27 (attached)

To consider any amendment or additions to the draft budget, FBP25/48 recommend a precept of £268000.

13. Safeguarding Policy and Procedure (attached)

UKSPF grant funding requires grant recipients to have a policy for this issue (FBP25/49).

14. Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum 8 December 2024

To confirm councillors delegated to attend (and to establish what questions are a priority to posed to DCC officers).

15. Town Councillor Representative - Playgroup

To consider whether to appoint a representative(s) to Wirksworth Play Group Trustees.

16. Delegated Decisions (Appendix 1)

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

17. Town Councillor Representative Reports



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Date	Decision Taken	Alternative Options Considered and/or background information
27/10/25	To advise C Cllr A Hunter that Summer Lane should be prioritised for resurfacing	At the last Council meeting 20/10/25, prior to the meeting commencing C Cllr Hunter advised that there was an opportunity to get one road resurfaced in the Town and was seeking a recommendation from the Town Council. As there was not sufficient time to wait for the matter to be discussed as part of the November meetings, all councillors were asked for their recommendations. These were then collated and the Mayor, Deputy and both chairs of the Committees determined which road should be prioritised based upon councillors comments.

