

# WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

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14 January 2025

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summonsed to the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council on MONDAY 20 January 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)

# <u>AGENDA</u>

# 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 16 December 2024 (attached)

# 6. Town Mayor's Announcements

# 7. To receive the recommendations from Committees:-

- Environment and Town dated 6 January 2025 (meeting inquorate)
- Finance, Buildings and Personnel dated 13 January 2025 (attached)

# 8. Accounts Paid

December 2024 in the sums of £ 86,381.59

# 9. Meadows

Update from the working party – including a progress update on works.

In December, the government clarified the conditions regarding the deadline for the spending of the funds made available under Levelling Up - there will be no variation or extensions to the deadline (early March 2025).

# 10. Precept Announcement (attached)

Resolution C24/101 – to review and agree to the proposed statement regarding the Council's precept in 2025/26.

The following items would normally be dealt with by Environment and Town meeting, all other items will be deferred to February committee meeting.

#### 11. Flooding in Wirksworth

To consider further action(s) following the recent meeting with representatives from Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Dales District Council regarding ongoing flooding issues in Wirksworth.

#### 12. Flood Warden Scheme

To consider how the Town Council might engage with this scheme.

The remaining items are matters for full council.

#### 13. Fair Trade Group (attached)

A request has been made for a Town Councillor representative to be assigned to Fair Trade group which is in the process of reforming.

#### 14. 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).

#### 15. Town Councillor Representative Reports

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# <u>Appendix 1</u>

**Delegated Decisions** 

Date	Decision Taken	Alternative Options Considered and/or background information
13/1/25	To provide a letter of support to Team Ministry for Wirksworth for the Grant Application in support of the project to repair and improve the facilities in St Marys Church	In September, Rev Griffiths spoke in open Forum at the full council meeting to update the council on the Team Ministries' plans to undertake repair and improvement works to the fabric of St Marys Church. The ministry contacted the clerk over the Christmas period requesting a letter of support for the grant application which is to be submitted early 2025. Councillors were supportive of the proposal during the presentation in September, and the letter of support carries no financial obligations. The letter was issued after approval from Cllr McDonagh, Cllr Maskrey, Cllr Clamp using delegated powers.