



# Much Wenlock Town Council

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## Meeting arrangements

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a meeting of Much Wenlock Town Council will be held at **The Guildhall**, Wilmore Street, Much Wenlock commencing at **7 pm** on Thursday **2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021** and Members are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Signed.....  
Trudi Barrett BA (Hons)  
Town Clerk

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021

# A G E N D A

## FILMING AND RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS AND THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 1998

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**Anyone who objects to being filmed or recorded should notify the Town Clerk prior to the commencement of the meeting.**

### 1. Chairman's welcome

### 2. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

### 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests

Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting, and which is not included in the register of interests. Members should leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of members' interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

### 4. Dispensations

Requests for dispensation should be in writing, addressed to the Town Clerk and received prior to the meeting.

### 5. Shropshire Council Report

To receive a verbal report from Shropshire Councillor Dan Thomas on Shropshire Council matters specifically relating to Much Wenlock (for information only).

## **6. Police Report**

To receive a report from the Local Policing Team.

## **7. Public Session**

At the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public, who have given prior written notice to the Town Clerk, may ask questions of the Council concerning matters on the agenda.

## **8. Minutes**

- a. To approve and adopt the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
- b. To adopt the minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

## **9. Town Clerk's Report**

To receive a written report from the Town Clerk.

## **10. Document Retention Policy**

To review and approve a Document Retention Policy, as recommended by DM Payroll Services during the GDPR consultation on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021.

## **11. Welcome Back Fund**

- a. To note that Shropshire Council has been awarded £288,000 by the Government through the Welcome Back Fund to encourage visitors and residents to return to town centres and that Much Wenlock has been allocated £5,999, based on population.
- b. To note that proposals have been submitted to Shropshire Council for funding for Christmas events and a response is awaited.

## **12. Highways Matters**

- a. To consider a report from the meeting between members of the Transport Working Group and the Sheinton Street residents' group regarding highways matters.
- b. To consider the results of speed surveys carried out by the local policing team on 19<sup>th</sup> July in Sheinton Street, Farley Road and Bridgnorth Road.
- c. To consider information from Sgt Kate Øen regarding the PCC Road Safety Fund.

## **13. Transport Working Group Reporting Arrangements**

To consider a proposal from members of the Planning & Environment Committee that the Transport Working Group report to that committee, rather than to full Council.

## **14. Ironbridge Power Station Planning Application (ref. 19/05660/OUT)**

- a. To note that the planning application for the Ironbridge Power Station was refused by Shropshire Council's Southern Planning Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021.
- b. With regard to the 'call in' request made by the Town Council, to note that the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has advised that as Shropshire Council has refused planning permission, the Secretary of State has no involvement unless the applicant subsequently appeals against the council's decision.
- c. To consider any further action to be taken by the Town Council with regard to this application.

## **15. Climate Change**

To consider a discussion paper entitled "The Council's role in addressing twin emergencies of Climate Change and Nature" and a recommendation from the Planning & Environment Committee that the Council:

- a. Signs the Zero Carbon Shropshire pledge.
- b. Invites nominations for a volunteer from members of the Council to 'champion' our approach.
- c. Invites community activists to an introductory workshop in order to explore a Council and community-wide approach.

## **16. Shropshire Council Local Plan Review**

- a. To note that on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Shropshire Council approved the Regulation 19 Draft Local Plan 2016 to 2038 for submission to the Planning Inspectorate.
- b. To consider a report prepared by Councillor Mike Grace on next steps and preparation for examination in public and to consider the recommendations of the Planning & Environment Committee.

### **17. The Friendly Bus**

- a. To note that the AGM of the Friendly Transport Service (Shropshire) will be held on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm at the Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley.
- b. To note that the Friendly Bus is seeking members for the Management Committee, particularly from Much Wenlock, and to invite Councillors to consider putting themselves forward for election or encouraging others to do so.

### **18. Consultation**

To note the following consultation and to consider a response from the Town Council:

- a. Shropshire County Pension Fund consultation on Climate Change Strategy and Climate Stewardship Plan – response required by 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 (extension to deadline)
- b. West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner’s draft Safer West Mercia Plan 2021-2025 – closing date 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021
- c. Shropshire Council survey on bus services to support a bid to the Government’s ‘Bus Back Better’ fund – closing date 10<sup>th</sup> September.
- d. Shropshire Council Gambling Act Policy Consultation – closing date 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

### **19. Correspondence**

To NOTE the following items, which have been emailed to Members:

- a. SALC information bulletin and other information.
- b. Friendly Bus Newsletter September 2021
- c. Rural Bulletins from the Rural Services Network
- d. Community Reassurance update 09.07.21
- e. Police SNT update 01.07.21 – 01.08.21
- f. Invitation to Telford Samaritans AGM on 27<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm
- g. Connecting Shropshire Update August 2021
- h. NALC 2021 election survey

### **20. Agenda items for next Town Council meeting**

Members are invited to suggest items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting.

### **21. Date of next meeting**

To NOTE that the next meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at the Guildhall.

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### **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the above Act it will be **PROPOSED**, **SECONDED** and **RESOLVED** that, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press should not be present.

### **22. Complaint**