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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the above-named Town Council will be held at the **Guildhall**, Much Wenlock commencing at **7.00 pm** on Thursday, **6th February 2025** and Members are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the following business.

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

Date: 30th January 2025

Meeting arrangements

Best efforts will be made to make the meeting accessible via Zoom, audio only. Remote participation in the meeting will not be possible. Any questions from the public must be asked in person, or by submitting the question in writing to be read out at the meeting. The link to the meeting is here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82630247001?pwd=5FHBmQEbryp604MhSvff7HMwohpsrY.1>

Meeting ID: 826 3024 7001
Passcode: 411238

AGENDA

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

Any person present at a Council meeting may not orally report or comment about a Council meeting as it takes place but otherwise may: film, photograph, or make an audio recording of a meeting; use any other means for enabling persons not present to see or hear proceedings at a meeting as it takes place or later; report or comment on the proceedings in writing during or after a meeting, or orally report or comment after the meeting. Anyone making a recording for non-domestic purposes is advised to seek advice on their obligations to ensure any processing of personal information complies with the Data Protection Act.

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. 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.

6. Police Matters

To receive an update from the local policing team.

7. Shropshire Council report

To receive a verbal report from Shropshire Councillor Dan Thomas on Shropshire Council matters specifically relating to Much Wenlock.

8. Minutes

- a. To approve and adopt the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 9th January 2025.
- b. To adopt the minutes of a Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 3rd December 2024.
- c. To adopt the minutes of a Finance & Asset Management Committee meeting held on 27th November 2024.

9. Town Clerk's report

To receive a written report from the Town Clerk.

10. Advance notice of nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor

To note that nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the civic year 2025/26 will be invited at the March full Council meeting.

11. Civic Service

To note that the Civic Service will take place at Holy Trinity Church at 10.30am on Sunday, 23rd February, coinciding with the Feast of St Milburga and Shropshire Day.

12. Annual Town Meeting 13th March 2025

- a. To note that the Annual Town Meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Thursday, 13th March at the Priory Hall.
- b. To agree the format of the meeting (previous year's agenda provided for information).

13. Local Council Elections 2025

- a. To note that the local council elections will be held on Thursday, 1st May 2025 and to receive the election timetable. NB. Elections Shropshire will publish the Notice of Election on 10th March and they will be able to receive nominations from 11th March.
- b. To receive a short guide to publicity during the pre-election period.

14. Much Wenlock Neighbourhood Plan Review

To receive an update on progress with the Neighbourhood Plan review and consider any actions required.

15. Shropshire Local Plan Review

To consider any further update on the situation regarding the Shropshire Local Plan Review.

16. The Guildhall Project

To receive an update on progress.

17. Restoring Roadside Verges

- a. To receive a verbal report from Councillor Linda West on the above.
- b. To consider a recommendation from the Planning & Environment Committee that a working group be set up to move forward with a project to restore verges in and around the town.

18. Gas Works in Much Wenlock – March to May 2025

To note gas mains replacement works planned for Oakfield Park, Racecourse Lane, Swan Meadow and Bridgnorth Road in Much Wenlock between 31st March and 30th May 2025.

19. Loss of Electricity to Homes in Much Wenlock during High Winds in December

To consider any response from STAR Housing to contact from Councillor West and the Clerk regarding the provision of emergency support to residents.

20. Shropshire Hills Landscape Trust

To consider becoming a Town Council Supporter of the Shropshire Hills Landscape Trust by making an annual donation of £250.

21. VE Day Celebration 2025

To consider a VE Day celebration in 2025.

22. Consultation

To note any consultation to hand and to consider a response.

23. Correspondence

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

- a. SALC information bulletins and other information
- b. NALC newsletters and other information
- c. Selected press releases from Shropshire Council
- d. Rural Bulletins from the Rural Services Network
- e. VCSA Shropshire newsletters
- f. The Rural Services Network Bulletins and Rural Funding Digest
- g. Marches Energy Agency January newsletter
- h. Selected Neighbourhood Matters alerts
- i. Mailings from The Edge Cinema
- j. Correspondence from Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust
- k. Fly Tipping information from Shropshire Council
- l. Invitation to webinar on Civil Food Resilience for Communities on 3rd March 2025
- m. Information about the National Open Garden Scheme Shropshire 2025

24. Agenda items for next Town Council meeting

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

25. Date of next meeting

To note that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, 6th March 2025 at 7.00pm at the Guildhall, Wilmore Street, Much Wenlock.

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.

26. 10 High Street

To receive an update on progress and consider any documentation to hand.

27. Much Wenlock Museum

To receive a verbal update on discussions with Shropshire Council.