



1<sup>st</sup> September 2021

The **MEETING** of **BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL** will be held in the **ANNEXE, COLLEGE HOUSE, BRIDGNORTH** on **TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021** at **7.15PM** when Members are summoned to attend.

Yours sincerely

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## AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

(Members are reminded that should you declare a pecuniary interest at a meeting, it is your responsibility to inform the Monitoring Officer.)

3. Public Question Time

Members of the public who are electors of the parish of Bridgnorth are advised that they are welcome to ask questions about items on the agenda. Where a question relates more generally to the business of the Council, advance notification is preferred so that a considered response can be provided. It is not always possible to give a verbal response at a meeting and questions may receive a written reply. In accordance with Standing Order 3y (viii), questions should be related to matters of Town Council policy or practice and not related to the individual affairs of either the questioner or any other named person.

*(Clerk's Note: The Council will generally permit up to 15 minutes to take questions with each question being limited to 3 minutes)*

4. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Meeting of Bridgnorth Town Council held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

*(BTC/06/2122 on the Town Council website)*

5. Announcements

- i) Covid Testing Centre
- ii) Bridgnorth Ambulance Station
- iii) Mayor's Diary
- iv) To receive any other announcements.

6. Members Question Time

Members are asked to receive questions (if any) in accordance with Standing Order 27 and to take no more than 15 minutes in total.

7. Flooding in Bridgnorth

To consider a proposal from Cllr Wellings that the Town Council forms a working group to facilitate and support a residents self-help group to mitigate the effects of flooding from the River Severn in Bridgnorth.

*(TC/11/2122 on the Town Council website)*

8. Welcome Back Fund

To receive any updates.

9. Castle Hall – Reduced Fees

To consider a request from the Senior Citizens group that regularly use Castle Hall to have a reduction in fees, report attached.

*(TC/12/2122 on the Town Council website)*

10. Bridgnorth Community Hall

- i) To note the minutes of the AGM of the Bridgnorth Community Hall on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021.

*(Appendix A on the Town Council website)*

- ii) To note the minutes of the Business Meeting of the Bridgnorth Community Hall on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021 and consider the following requests:

- a. That the Town Council waives £6k of its annual management fee (£20,400) in light of the significant loss of income in the current financial year as a result of the covid pandemic.
- b. That the Council confirms the role of the Management Committee by RESOLVING that:

Bridgnorth Community Hall Management Committee (as appointed by the Town Council) is responsible for management of the Bridgnorth Community Hall Charity (Registered Charity No 1050804) and its affairs on behalf of the Sole Trustee (Bridgnorth Town Council)

*(Appendix B on the Town Council website)*

11. Youth Club Reports

To receive reports from the Innage Lane and The Bridge Youth Clubs

*(TC/13/2122 on the Town Council website)*

12. Internal Visioning Event

To receive a report and a recommendation that the Town Council agrees to a future date for a follow up meeting where an update can be given on the actions taken.

*(Appendix C on the Town Council website)*

13. Shropshire Council Briefing

To note that all Town Councillors have been invited to a briefing on Bridgnorth related matters by Shropshire Council officers on Monday 20th September 2021 starting at 6:30pm in Castle Hall.

14. Response to Shropshire Council's proposed closure to Bridgnorth's Highway Depot

To receive a report and a recommendation that the Town Mayor write to Shropshire Council on behalf of the Town Council to express its concerns on the planned closure of the Bridgnorth Highways Depot."

*(TC/14/2122 on the Town Council website)*

15. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

**RECOMMENDED** in terms of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972, the following items will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and it is, therefore, **RECOMMENDED** that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded

16. CCTV

This item is being discussed in confidential as it relates to a contract.

Membership: Councillors Barlow (Town Mayor), Aked, Baines MBE, Buckley, Buffey, Chetter, Colley, Connolly, D Cooper, N Cooper, Neal, Rochelle, Round, Sawbridge, Seabright, Wellings