



18<sup>th</sup> November 2021

An extraordinary meeting of the **EVENTS & CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE** will be held in the **ANNEXE, COLLEGE HOUSE, BRIDGNORTH** on **WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021** at **6.30PM**, when Members are summoned to attend.

Yours sincerely

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## AGENDA

### 1. Apologies for absence

Members are asked to receive apologies for absence for this meeting

### 2. Declarations of Interest

- a. 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
- b. 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.

#### Question received Ms T Brunner

I would ask the Council to consider actually switching on the Christmas lights to enliven the town *during the day* - maybe from 11a.m.? From observation, the older generation, and young families, will do their shopping - or just walk out for exercise and maybe a chat -

before dusk, which I think is about the time the lights come on? So many will miss the sight and the pleasure. And visitors to Bridgnorth would surely enjoy that pleasure. Earlier lighting up was put forward last year, and the response was that 'shopkeepers didn't think it worthwhile'...*what about the shoppers?* Surely if you lift the spirits of townsfolk and visitors - they may be encouraged to spend more? Let's lift everyone's spirits anyway, and show off the work involved!

#### 4. Minutes

Members are asked to confirm the minutes of the Events & Christmas Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021.  
(EVCH/02/2122 on the Town Council website)

#### 5. Christmas Lighting Up Night

To begin to review the event held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### 6. Christmas Lighting Infrastructure

To welcome a representative of the Lightwire-Electrical (the Town Council's contractor for the installation of the Christmas Lights) to discuss the condition of the current infrastructure and identify (if any) upgrades or replacement equipment.

#### 7. Remembrance Sunday

To begin to review the event held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### 8. Carnival 2022 - Update

To receive any updates.

#### 9. HM Queen Elizabeth II – Platinum Anniversary

To receive any updates.

#### 10. Bridgnorth Walk 2022

To note an application from the Bridgnorth Lions Club to use the Town Hall for their Annual Walk and Marathon. Members are asked to consider waiving the standard booking fee (£77).  
(Application to be tabled)

#### 11. Budget 2022/23

To consider whether to make any recommendations to the Town Council relating to the budget for 2022/23 on items that fall within the remit of the Committee.

#### 12. 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 that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded.

13. Christmas Light Contract Tender

14. Commercial Hire of Severn Park

Membership: Councillors Aked, Barlow, Connolly (Chairman), N Cooper, Seabright and Wellings