



26th January 2022

The **MEETING** of **BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL** will be held in the **ANNEXE, COLLEGE HOUSE, BRIDGNORTH** on **TUESDAY 1st FEBRUARY 2022** 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

- i) To approve the minutes of the meeting of Bridgnorth Town Council held on Tuesday 18th January 2022.
(BTC/14/2122 on the Town Council website)
- ii) To note the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on Thursday 27th January 2022 and consider any recommendations.
(To follow)

5. 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.

6. Town Council Estate Management

- i) To receive a report from the Outdoors and Property Manager.
(TC/35/2122 on the Town Council website)
- ii) Hazeldine Foundry - To consider correspondence relating to a community Garden.
(TC/36/2122 on the Town Council website)
- iii) Crown Meadow Youth Teams Football Pitches. – To consider correspondence requesting a reconfiguration of the football pitches on the Crown Meadow.
(TC/37/2122 on the Town Council website)

7. Council Meetings

To consider a proposal from Councillor N Cooper:

I would like us to debate for the remainder of the civic year moving from formal in person council meetings to informal meetings via zoom.

To aid transparency and good governance these informal meetings would :-

be fully accessible to the public and notice of the meeting and agenda be given 5 days in advance as per current practice

enable all councillors to fully debate issues and reach agreement (currently some are unable to attend in person meetings)

The majority agreement would be recorded and published as a recommendation for the Town Clerk to action under emergency delegated authority.

8. Community Safety

To consider a proposal from Councill Ireland that:

Bridgnorth Town Council formally writes to Shropshire Council requesting that Shropshire Council explore (as a matter of urgency) the feasibility of introducing a 20mph zone in Bridgnorth and some associated traffic calming measures, in and around the High Street and the commercial areas of Low Town (and that the Town Council would wish to have an

initial discussion with the appropriate highways officers to understand the process and explore realistic possibilities).

9. Bridgnorth Arts Trail

To note the minutes of a meeting of the Bridgnorth Arts Trail held on Monday 17th January 2020.
(Appendix A on the Town Council website)

10. 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

11. CCTV Contract

12. Building Survey Tender

13. Telephone System Contract

14. IT Maintenance Contract

15. Personnel Committee Recommendations

Membership/Distribution: Councillors Barlow (Town Mayor), Aked, Baines MBE, Buckley, Buffey, Chetter, Connolly, D Cooper, N Cooper, Ireland, Marshall, Neal, Rochelle, Sawbridge BEM, Seabright, Wellings