



26th October 2022

The meeting of **BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL** will be held in the **ANNEXE, COLLEGE HOUSE** on **TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2022** at **7.15PM** when Members are summoned to attend.

Yours Sincerely

Roslyn Williams
Interim Town Clerk

BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA – TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2022

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

3.1. Members of the public who are electors of the parish of Bridgnorth are advised that they are welcome to ask questions about agenda items. If a question relates more generally to the business of the Council, advance notification is preferred in order to provide a more considered response. Verbal responses are not always possible, and so questions may receive a written reply. In accordance with Standing Order 1s (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 another named person.

(Clerks Note: The Council will generally permit up to 15 minutes for public questions, each question being limited to 3 minutes)

3.2. Members are asked to note the response sent to Mr Daniels by the Interim Town Clerk following his public question in the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 27th September 2022.

“If the Town Council, having previously given public undertakings to remove all the statues of the Arts Trail, resolves now to keep some of them permanently, what confidence in its future undertakings does it expect the public to have?”

A: There are three statues in question, all located on land owned by the Town Council. The locations being: Foundry Park, Quayside and Castle Grounds. The statues have been sponsored by local organisations who have stated that they are happy for them to remain in place. The Council have received many positive comments about both the Arts Trail and the

statues since they have been installed. Therefore, leading to the question of if the statues should be left in situ.

Please be rest assured that Council does not wish for any of its residents to feel that they cannot have confidence in it or its decision making. Council always tries to take the interests of the town, as a whole and its residents into account when debating issues.

Should Council decide to leave the statues in situ, I can assure you that the decision will be taken following debate and with due regard.

4. Apley Estates

Members are asked to receive a verbal briefing from Lord Hamilton and Graeme Manton of Apley Estates.

5. Minutes

5.1. To approve the minutes of the meeting of Bridgnorth Town Council held on Tuesday 18th October 2022.
(BTC/08/2223 on the Town Council website)

5.2. To note the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday 11th October 2022.
(FIN/02/2223 on the Town Council website)

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. Winter Warmth Hubs

Members are asked to consider the attached report from Councillors N Cooper and D Cooper. It is **RECOMMENDED**: that the Town Council resolves to:

- Publicise the local warm hub venues on our website, Facebook feed and notice boards.
- Invite local warm hub initiatives to apply for support (financial or use of facilities) from our Grants Budget.

(TC/23/2223 on the Town Council website)

8. Low Town Community Hall Trustees

Following the resignation of both A Buffey and Councillor I Wellings, members are asked to discuss the appointment of additional members to the Low Town Community Hall Trustee Committee.

9. Grant Application

Members are asked to consider the attached report and grant application from The Haydn Festival Trust.

(TC/24/2223 on the Town Council website)

Membership: Councillors K Sawbridge BEM (Mayor), C Aked, C Baines MBE, S Barlow, J Buckley, A Chetter, R Connolly, D Cooper, N Cooper, R Ireland, E Marshall, L Neal, L Rochelle, R Seabright, I Wellings