

Wellington Town Council

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To: All Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Wellington Town Council, to be held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, 8th September 2020. The public open session commencing at 6.30pm followed by the business of the Annual Council Meeting to be transacted from 7.05pm as per the Agenda below.

Members to note it is intended that this meeting will be live streamed.

Dated this 2nd September 2020.

Signed  Town Clerk

6.30pm Public Open Session

Presentations:

- 1.0 **Police Inspector Gary Wade**- For services to Wellington over many years and for being a true friend of our town.
- 2.0 **Stuart Tyrer**- West Midlands Search & Rescue, nominated by a Wellington resident for dedication to our safety.
- 3.0 **Eddie Fanneran**- For acting as our Parade Marshall over many years at Remembrance and other civic occasions
- 4.0 **Kath Howard** - Chair of Friends of Bowring Park and Friends of Wellington Station.
- 5.0 **Bob Coalbran**- Wellington Walkers are Welcome and Friends of Wellington Station
- 6.0 **Dorota Sobilo** - Polish Covid 19 Support Group - manufacturing top quality safety masks
- 7.0 **Julia Fletcher**- Bowring Park Covid 19 Support Group to help those in need
- 8.0 **Debbie Farley**- Shawbirch, Dothill, Admaston & Bratton Covid 19 Support Group to help those in need.
- 9.0 **To Receive the Mayors' Diary of Events** (appendix 1)

Please note that Informal prayers will be said at 7.00 pm, attend if you wish.

7.05 pm Annual Council Meeting AGENDA

1. Election of Mayor
2. Presentation of the Chain of Office and signing of the Acceptance of Office form.
3. New Mayor's Address and presentation of past Mayor's medal
4. Election of Deputy Mayor
5. Presentation of Chain of Office to the Deputy Mayor
6. Apologies
7. Declarations of Interest
8. Election of Town Council Committees
 - a) **Policy & Resources (P&R) Committee** (7 vacancies + Mayor & Deputy Mayor *ex officio*)
 - b) **To Note the Personnel Committee will consist of 3 group leaders**
 - c) **Election of Independent Grievance Panel** (3 vacancies + Mayor as Chairman)
 - d) **Election of Planning Committee** (7 vacancies + Mayor & Deputy Mayor *ex officio*)
 - e) **Election of Events & Communication Committee** (7 Councillor Vacancies + Mayor Deputy Mayor *ex officio*)
9. **To consider the Election of active Working Groups**
 - a) **Conservation Area Working Group** – 3 appointments
 - b) **Car Parking Working Group**- 5 appointments
 - c) **Climate Change Emergency Working Group** - 5 appointments
10. **Election of Town Council representatives on outside bodies:**
 - a) **Walkers are Welcome** - 1 Vacancy
 - b) **Wrekin Area Committee** - 2 Vacancies
 - c) **Telford Bus Users Group** - 2 Vacancies
 - d) **Shropshire Wildlife Trust** - 1 Vacancy
11. **To Appoint the Internal Auditor for 2020/21**
12. **Resolution for the General Power of Competence** (appendix 2)

The three conditions for eligibility for the Town Council to be enabled to exercise the General Power of Competence are as follows:

Resolution: the council must resolve at a meeting that it meets the criteria for eligibility relating to the electoral mandate and relevant training of the clerk.

Electoral mandate: at the time the resolution is passed, at least two thirds of the Council must hold office as a result of being declared elected (i.e. not co-opted).

Qualified Clerk: At the time that the resolution is passed, the clerk must hold a recognised professional qualification (e.g. Certificate in Local Council Administration, Certificate of Higher Education in Local Policy) AND pass the 2012 CiLCA module relating to the General Power of Competence.

As a result of satisfying the above criteria Wellington Town Council is requested to pass the following resolution:

The Town Council resolves from 8th September 2020 until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Council, that having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence)(Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, to adopt the General Power of Competence.

13. **To approve minutes of the Full Council Meeting last meeting dated 11th August 2020**
(appendix 3)
14. **Matters Arising from those Minutes**
 - Clifton Site – Oral Report Clerk
 - Speed Indicator Device – Oral Report Clerk
 - Re-Opening the Retail Sector – Oral Report Clerk
 - Music for the People Grant – Oral Report Clerk
 - Police and Crime Commissioner Questionnaire – Oral Report Clerk
15. **To receive the Minutes of Wellington Town Council Committees and to note the recommendations therein.**
 - i) Policy and Resources Committee 01.09.20 (to follow)
 - ii) Planning Committee 12.08.20 (appendix 4)
02.09.20 (to follow)
16. **To note the report from the Climate Change Emergency Meeting** (appendix 6)
17. **To consider the following proposal from Cllr Hosken 2nd by Cllr Roberts** (appendix 7)
 - 1.0 That the one-way system on Ercall Lane is removed.
 - 2.0 That the cycle track on Ercall Lane is removed
18. **To agree the date of the next Full Council Meeting** – as 13th October 2020

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