



## Notice of the next Council Meeting

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(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

### Meeting of... Planning Committee

**Place... Arts Centre Theatre; BAC Theatre, 11-13 Castle Street, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 3DD**

**Date... Thursday, March 19, 2026**

**Time... 10:00**

Councillors will be discussing all the items listed overleaf on the Agenda.

Yours faithfully

*David Mears*

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**CEO and Town Clerk**

**12 March 2026**

#### **(Prior to the start of the meeting)**

#### **Questions and comments from members of the public**

To ask a question or speak at a meeting, you will need to submit your request to a member of the Democratic Services Team in advance of the meeting. You can request to speak at a council meeting by emailing your full name, the agenda item and your question to the Democratic Services Team emailing [enquiries@bridgwater-tc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@bridgwater-tc.gov.uk) Any requests need to be received by 5pm on the day that provides 2 clear working days before the meeting (excluding the day of the meeting itself). For example, if the meeting is due to take place on a Thursday, requests need to be received by 5pm on the Monday prior to the meeting. The Chair will invite you to speak at the beginning of the meeting under the agenda item Public Question Time, but speaking is limited to 3 minutes. You can only speak to the Council or Committee once. If there are a group of people attending to speak about a particular item, then a representative should be chosen to speak on behalf of the group.

1N.B Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that is not specified in the summons/agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119).

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# AGENDA

## **PL2026/15 - To receive apologies for absence**

### **PL2026/16 - Declarations of interests**

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s31(2) subject to s32(3) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).

## **PL2026/17 - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 26 February 2026**

### **PL2026/18 - Planning Applications**

#### **PL2026/18.1 - Planning application number: 08/26/00008/LE**

**Planning application number:** [08/26/00008/LE](#) **Proposal:** Conversion of first and second floor offices into 9 No. residential apartments. **Location:** 16 High Street, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 3DX

#### **PL2026/18.2 - Planning application number: 08/26/00012/JMS**

**Planning application number:** [08/26/00012/JMS](#) **Proposal:** Installation of 3No. internally illuminated fascia signs, 1No. non-illuminated fascia sign, 1No. internally illuminated totem sign, 2No. wall-mounted banner frames, and 1No. aluminium composite (ACM) panel with vinyl display. **Location:** Cooperative Group Limited, Westonzoyland Road, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 5BJ

#### **PL2026/18.3 - Planning application number: 08/26/00011/JMS**

**Planning application number:** [08/26/00011/JMS](#) **Proposal:** Change of use within Class E to use as a 24 hour gym, installation of plant to the West elevation, replacement of entrance door on the South elevation and associated external works. **Location:** Unit B3, Bridgwater Retail Park, The Leggar, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 4AB

#### **PL2026/18.4 - Planning application number: 08/26/00019/TTE**

**Planning application number:** [08/26/00019/TTE](#) **Proposal:** Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed erection of a single storey extension, extending 6.00m from the rear South elevation. **Location:** 49 Halesleigh Road, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 7DY

#### **PL2026/18.5 - Planning application number: 09/21/00017**

To comment on the DOC for COND 3 on planning application 09/21/00017

## **PL2026/19 - Licensing Application - 36 Eastover, Bridgwater**

**PL2026/20 - To note the following Planning Application**

**Planning application number:** [08/26/00024/ROR](#) **Proposal:** Trim side and top growth from 2No. Clipped Yews (T1 & T2) removing approx. 30cm of growth to all sides using hedge cutter/loppers. Remove extended lateral growth by up to 1m to reshape crown. Approx. finished dimensions T1 - 3m Diameter T2 - 3.5m Diameter. **Location:** St Marys Church, St Mary Street, Bridgwater, TA6 3EQ

***End of Agenda***

**CIRCULATION**

Councillor, Mander (Chair), Edmunds, Hubble, Heywood, Leavy, Lerry, Lilley, Loveridge, and Solomon