



Notice of the next Council Meeting

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

Public Attendance: If members of the public wish to join this meeting they should contact the Town Clerk (by email townclerk@bridgwater-tc.gov.uk), to receive instructions on how to access the meeting. If the public wish to make a comment or ask the council a question, these must be emailed to the Town Clerk at least 24 hours in advance.

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

Virtual Meeting of... **The Full Council**

Time... **19:00hrs**

Date... **Thursday 20 August 2020**

Platform... **Virtual Meeting using Zoom Meeting Software**

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

David Mears

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Town Clerk

14 August 2020

19:00hrs (Prior to the start of the meeting)

Presentation from Tim Deere-Jones

Councillors to receive a 10-minute presentation on suspected increase of radioactivity doses to the public & marine environment from dredging at Hinkley Point with a question and answer session.

Questions and comments from members of the public

This provides an opportunity for members of the public to participate by asking questions, raising concerns or making comments on matters affecting Bridgwater. Questions/comments must be emailed to the Town Clerk (townclerk@bridgwater-tc.gov.uk), at least 24 hours before the meeting and these will be read by the Town Clerk at the Meeting with a reply.

Policing in Bridgwater

A representative from Bridgwater's Police Team (if present) are invited to provide updates and discuss issues in Bridgwater.

A G E N D A

- TC2020/55** **To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given** (LGA 1972 s85 (1))
- TC2020/56** **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 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)
- TC2020/57** **To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Thursday 5 March 2020, the Extraordinary Town Council Meeting held on 20 March 2020 and the Town Council Meeting held on 18 June 2020** (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))
- TC2020/58** **Mayor's Announcements**
- TC2020/59** **Town Council Leader** – Cllr Smedley to update members on matters of interest and forward plan (*N.B no decisions can be taken¹*)
- TC2020/60** **Town Clerk's Oral Report** – update on progress since the last meeting and items of information (*N.B no decisions can be taken¹*)
- TC2020/61** **Portfolio Holders** – to receive written reports (if any) from Portfolio Holders (*N.B no decisions can be taken¹*)
- TC2020/62** **Finance** – to adopt the recommended revised budget in light of the significant impact of COVID-19 on the council's set budget for 2020/21
- TC2020/63** **Finance** – to approve reopening of the revised general grant budget and to agree to recommended arrangements
- TC2020/64** **Finance** - to discuss arrangements for the Youth Grant Budget
- TC2020/65** **Finance** – to note the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2019/20
- TC2020/66** **Finance** - to approve the Annual Governance Statement (s.1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20) (*Account & Audit Regulations 2015*)
- TC2020/67** **Finance** - to approve the Annual Accounting Statement for the year ending 31 March 2020 (s.2 Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20) (*Account & Audit Regulations 2015*)
- TC2020/68** **Finance** – Accounts for Payment and Income - to note items of expenditure as approved under delegated authority or previous resolutions and income for July 2020
- TC2020/69** **Annual Council Meeting** – to agree to hold the Annual Council Meeting on 19 November 2020 and to discuss mayoral arrangements

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).

TC2020/70 **Committee Structure** – to receive an update from Cllr Smedley on the council's
Committee Structure and Portfolio Holder system

.....End of Agenda.....