



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)

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

Meeting of...	Bridgwater Town Council
Time...	7.00pm
Date...	Thursday 6 June 2019
Place...	Charter Hall, Town Hall, High Street, Bridgwater

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

David Mears

David Mears PSLCC
Town Clerk
30 May 2019

7.00pm (Prior to the start of the meeting)

Questions and comments from members of the public

This provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the meeting except by special invitation of the Chairman) to participate before the start of the meeting by asking questions, raising concerns or making comments on matters affecting Bridgwater. No decision can be taken during this session¹, but the Chairman may decide to refer any matters raised for further consideration.

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).

Policing in Bridgwater

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

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, any members of the public are allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meetings (including on social media). No prior notification is needed but it would be helpful to let the office know of any plans to film or record so that any necessary arrangements can be made to provide reasonable facilities to report on meetings. This permission does not extend to private meetings or parts of meetings which are not open to the public. All recording and photography equipment should be taken away if a public meeting moves into a session which is not open to the public.

If you are recording the meeting, you are asked to act in a reasonable manner and not disrupt the conduct of meetings for example by using intrusive lighting, flash photography or asking people to repeat statements for the benefit of the recording. You may not make an oral commentary during the meeting. The Chairman has the power to control public recording and/or reporting so it does not disrupt the meeting. Recording must be clearly visible to anyone at the meeting.

A G E N D A

TC2019/60 To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

TC2019/61 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)

TC2019/62 To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Annual Town Council Meeting held on Thursday 9 May 2019 (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))

TC2019/63 Mayor Announcements

TC2019/64 Town Clerk's Oral Report – including use of delegated powers and update on progress since the last meeting

TC2019/65 Working Parties – to create a Working Party for EDF Energy

TC2019/66 Earmarked Reserves – to approve the attached list as the Bridgwater Town Council's Earmarked Reserves

TC2019/67 Finance – to note the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2018/19

TC2019/68 Finance - to approve the Annual Governance Statement (s.1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2018/19) (Account & Audit Regulations 2015)

TC2019/69 Finance - to approve the Annual Accounting Statement for the year ending 31 March 2019 (s.2 Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2018/19) (Account & Audit Regulations 2015)

TC2019/70 Finance – to authorise the Town Clerk to release the £7,000 Bridgwater Cultural Partnership funding

TC2019/71 Forward Plan – to adopt a Forward Plan for Bridgwater Town Council (Notice of Motion received from Cllr B Smedley)