

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

The Guildhall,
Axminster,
Devon.

11 March 2021

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a virtual extra-ordinary meeting of the Town Council which will take place on Tuesday, 16th March 2021 at 7.00 p.m using remote conferencing technology as authorised by the regulations set out in Clause 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85686577954>

Meeting ID: 856 8657 7954

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This meeting will be recorded and recordings will be held for one year by the town council. If members of the public make a representation to the meeting, they will be deemed to have consented to being audio recorded. If you wish to speak, please raise your hand and you will be invited to speak by the chairman, at which point your microphone will be unmuted. Voting will also take place by show of hands and the chairman will indicate the votes have been noted.

Members and the public are reminded that **remarks must be addressed through the person chairing the meeting**. To assist in this process, please have a piece of card or something similar that you can raise to show that you wish to speak, then wait to be invited to speak by the Mayor.

Members are reminded:

- a) Of their obligation to **declare the existence and nature of any personal interests** they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting and to **withdraw if it is a pecuniary** one. In virtual meetings, if members have a pecuniary interest, they will be placed in the ‘waiting room’ where they cannot hear or participate in discussion and voting.
- b) That in reaching decisions they should take into consideration the Town Council’s decision to reduce its carbon footprint in the light of the **climate/environment emergency**.
- c) To ensure that their discussions include full consideration of the points set out in the Town Council’s **risk management** strategy.

1. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES.
2. TO NOTE THOSE NOT PRESENT.
3. TO REPORT CASUAL VACANCY:
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.
5. TO RECEIVE AND IF THOUGHT FIT APPROVE AND ADOPT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8TH MARCH 2021: To be presented by the Town Mayor – i) approve for accuracy. ii) adopt as policy.
6. TOWN FORUM
7. TO DISCUSS URGENT WORKS NEEDED TO REMOVE FRACTURED RENDER FROM GUILDHALL STANCHION: Town Mayor or Town Clerk to speak.

8. TO CONSIDER DRAFT SPECIFICATION FOR STRUCTURAL SURVEYOR RE GUILDHALL:
Town Mayor or Town Clerk to speak.
9. TO REVIEW POSITION IN RELATION TO TRAINING IN STRATEGIC PLANNING AND RISK MANAGEMENT IN THE LIGHT OF PUBLIC MEETING:
10. FINANCIAL MATTERS:
 - a. Insurance Matters

11. COVID 19 RELATED MATTERS: Cllr. Farrow to speak.
12. TO UPDATE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS: Town Clerk to speak.
13. MATTERS OF URGENCY: To consider matters not detailed on the agenda but agreed by the Presiding Chairman as being matters of urgency.
14. COMMITTEE REPORTS: To receive and, if thought fit, approve and adopt the reports, copies herewith, of the following committees:
 - a. PLANNING COMMITTEE: Dated 9th February 2021 to be presented by the Chairman of the Planning Committee, Cllr. Mrs. Leat - i) approve for accuracy. ii) adopt as policy.
 - b. Matters arising from the above meeting.
 - c. PLANNING COMMITTEE: Dated 2nd March 2021 to be presented by the Chairman of the Planning Committee, Cllr. Mrs. Leat - i) approve for accuracy. ii) adopt as policy.
 - d. Matters arising from the above meeting.
15. CORRESPONDENCE;
 - a. Various re COVID 19
 - b. Healthwatch Voices
 - c. E.D.D.C. – various re Census.
 - d. Anti-social behaviour and community safety officer – numerous.

If appropriate, a Councillor to propose that under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, (as amended by the Local Government Act 1972 the public, (including the press) be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

To be taken In Committee:

THIS SECTION OF THE MEETING WILL HAVE A DIFFERENT CODE AND WILL START AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPEN MEETING.

16. QUOTES TO CONSIDER: among which:
 - a. Planning Consultant Costs
 - b. Surveyor Costs.
17. TENANCY MATTERS
18. INSURANCE MATTERS

Yours sincerely,

Hilary Kirkcaldie
TOWN CLERK