

Wisbech Town Council



WISBECH TOWN COUNCIL

15 March 2021 – 7.30 pm

(Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the restriction placed by the Government on gatherings of people, this meeting will be held remotely; via the Zoom video conferencing system. Members of the public will be able to view the meeting live on the Wisbech Town Council You Tube channel. For more information, please contact the Town Clerk (details shown at the foot of this agenda)).

All members of the council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting, as set out below.

(A period not exceeding 15 minutes is made available at the beginning of the meeting, where the public so require, to raise issues relating to matters over which the council has duties, powers or influence. A member of the public wishing to make a representation to the meeting would need to submit the text in writing, to the Town Clerk, prior to the meeting, as there would be no opportunity for it to be raised in person by the member of the public).

AGENDA

1. To receive members' apologies for absence.
2. Open Forum/Public participation – Clerk to report.
3. To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item (see guidance notes at the end of the agenda).
4. Access to Employment (A2E) Project – to receive a presentation from the Manager of the A2E Project, which is being delivered by the YMCA; members will receive information as to how this project – which supports people on their journey back into employment or into education or training – is operating in Wisbech.
5. Fenland District Council - to receive information in relation to District Council activities relevant to Wisbech.
6. Cambridgeshire County Council - to receive information in relation to County Council activities relevant to Wisbech and to consider, further to minute 56/20, whether to proceed with the application for a Local Highway Improvement scheme for Tinkers Drove, Wisbech.
7. To confirm, for signature by the Chairman when possible, the minutes of the meeting of Wisbech Town Council held on 1 February 2021 (to be circulated in advance of the meeting).
8. Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CAPALC) – to consider the annual invitation from CAPALC for Wisbech Town Council to become a member of the association, at a cost of £1,817.01 for the municipal year 2021/22.
9. Clerk's report - to include: any updates on projects/initiatives; correspondence received by the council which is of relevance to members; advance notice of events/activities etc; minutes of the meetings of committees held since the last meeting of the council (those being: Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee meetings held on 1 and 15 February and 1 March 2021).

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10. Date of next meeting - to note that the next meeting of Wisbech Town Council is scheduled for 19 April 2021, to commence at 7.30 pm; to be held remotely using the Zoom video conferencing system.

Members of the Town Council: Councillors Balsevics (Chairman/Mayor), Hill, Miss Hoy, Human, Ketteringham, Lynn (Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor), Maul, Meekins, Oliver, Patrick, Mrs Pehlivanova, Prest, Rackley, Tibbs, Tierney, Topgood and Mrs Wallwork (plus one vacancy).

Agenda issued and published (on 9 March 2021) by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Jordan'.

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Exclusion of the public from meetings for confidential items of business

To exclude the public (including the press) from a meeting of the Council, it is necessary for the following proposition to be moved and adopted "that, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting for item number(s), which involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) as indicated"

Notes on members' interests

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- (1) Members are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest and, unless the member has obtained a dispensation, he or she cannot discuss or vote on the matter at the meeting and must leave the room whilst the matter is being debated or voted on.
- (2) A member has a disclosable pecuniary interest if it
 - (a) relates to him or her, or
 - (b) is an interest of -
 - (i) the member's spouse or civil partner; or
 - (ii) a person with whom the member is living as husband and wife; or
 - (iii) a person with whom the member is living as if civil partners and the member is aware that the other person has the interest.
- (3) Disclosable pecuniary interests include -
 - (a) any employment or profession carried out for profit or gain;
 - (b) any financial benefit received by the member in respect of expenses incurred carrying out his or her duties as a member (except from the Council);
 - (c) any current contracts with the Council;
 - (d) any beneficial interest in land/property within the Council's area;
 - (e) any licence for a month or longer to occupy land in the Council's area;
 - (f) any tenancy where the Council is landlord and the member (or person in (2)(b) above) has a beneficial interest;
 - (g) a beneficial interest (above the specified level) in the shares of any body which has a place of business or land in the Council's area.

Other Interests

- (4) If a member has a non-disclosable pecuniary interest or a non-pecuniary interest, he or she is required to declare that interest but may remain and participate in discussion and voting.
- (5) A member has a non-disclosable pecuniary interest or a non-pecuniary interest where -
 - (a) a decision in relation to the business being considered might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing of the member or a member of his or her family or a person with whom the member has a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which the member has been elected or otherwise of the authority's administrative area, or
 - (b) it relates to or is likely to affect any of the descriptions referred to above but in respect of a member of the councillor's family (other than specified in (2)(b) above) or a person with whom the member has a close association and that interest is not a disclosable pecuniary interest.