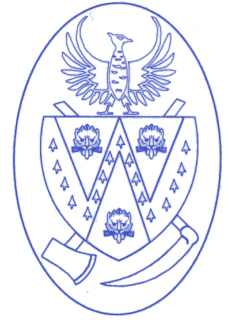


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Wem-Birthplace of the Modern Sweet Pea

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend an ORDINARY MEETING of **WEM TOWN COUNCIL**, which will be held in the **Council Meeting Room in Wem Library, 3 High Street, Wem** on **THURSDAY 31st October 2024 at 7 p.m.**

P O'Hagan
Town Clerk
25.10.24

AGENDA

- 1 **To note apologies for absence received**
- 2 **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests.**
 - a) To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interest - Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.
 - b) To consider any applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011.
- 3 **Public Participation** - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for residents of Wem Town to speak.
- 4 **Council Minutes** - to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 26.9.24 (copy enclosed).
- 5 **Progress report** - To consider the Clerks progress report on decisions made at previous meetings (copy enclosed).
- 6 **Planning Applications**
 - a) to note the recent planning decisions (copy enclosed).
- 7 **Finance and Accounts for Payment** (copies to follow).
 - a) Budget report – to consider.
 - b) Internal Control checks – to note.
 - c) Accounts for payment - to approve accounts for payment (presented at meeting).
 - d) Internal Audit – to appoint the Town Council's internal auditor for 2024-25
- 8 **Events**
 - a) **Events Liaison Group Remembrance Parade meeting 8.10.24** - to receive notes from the meeting and to consider any recommendations arising from the meeting (copy enclosed).

b) Christmas Festival 30.11.24 - To receive an update on and consider paying for free parking in the main car park on the day along with paying for the provision of an evening mini bus (report to follow)

- 9 Finance Committee Meeting 18.10.24** to receive draft minutes from this meeting and consider any recommendations contained within (copy enclosed).
- 10 Play equipment**
- a) Classic Climber - to discuss the outcome of the consultation with St Peters Primary School students (copy enclosed).
 - b) To consider quotes received for a replacement for the classic climber unit (copy enclosed).
- 11 Floral Planters –**
- a) to discuss the condition of the metal floral pole planters and consider options for repair / replacement (copy enclosed).
 - b) to consider quotes and award the contract for 2025 supply of plants and compost for the planters (copy to follow).
- 12 Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre –** to consider report concerning the urgent works needed at Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre (copy enclosed).
- 13 Armed Forces Covenant** - to consider signing the covenant (copy enclosed).
- 14 Pensions Discretions Policy** - to consider delegating the review of the Town Council's Pensions Discretions Policy to the Staffing Committee.
- 15 Cash Access request –** to consider supporting the Link Cash Access Request to be submitted by Cllr Towers.
- 16 Wem Area Climate Emergency Action Pan –** to discuss comments from Wem Area Climate Action and consider establishing a working party to progress the suggestions made (copy enclosed).
- 17 Correspondence** (copies enclosed).
- a) **Nature Recovery Conference** – to consider attendance at.
 - b) **LGS Pay Agreement** – to approve.
- 18 Reports**
- a) to receive written reports from the Council's representatives to other bodies.
 - b) to receive a written report from Shropshire Councillors Broomhall and Towers.
- 19 Dates of future meetings –** to note the date and time of November meeting and agree the date of the December meeting and the date of the 2025 Annual Town Meeting.