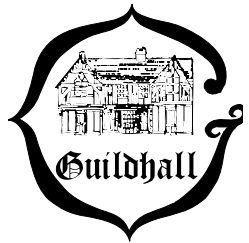


# Newport (Shropshire) Town Council



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Town Mayor: Cllr Glyn Gratton

Ref: DLH/SFA

5 September 2007

Dear Sir / Madam

I hereby give you notice that there will be a meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL** on **Wednesday 12 September 2007** at **7.00 p.m.** at **The Guildhall, High Street, Newport.**

Your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

D. L. Halliday  
Town Clerk

## AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To receive Declarations of Interest. Members need only declare any interest they may have in items of business on this Agenda.
3. To vote to suspend the meeting up to 30 minutes to take public questions.
4. To receive announcements. A list of the Town Mayor's & Deputy Town Mayor's engagements is **attached**.
5. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2007 – copy **attached**.
6. To consider matters arising from the Minutes.

**To consider matters as itemised under the following headings:**

## **7. FINANCE**

### **a. Finance Report**

To approve the Finance Reports for July and August 2007 – copies **attached**.

### **b. Thank You Letters**

Letters of thanks for grants awarded have been received from:

Forton Cricket Club  
Newport & District Agricultural Society

### **c. Grant Applications**

Details of applications for grants from the Town Council are **attached**. There is £3750 available in Section 137 General Grants, £1900 in Section 19 money and £800 in Youth Grants.

### **d. Applications for Grants and Child Protection Measures**

Members will recall a draft letter suggested by the Town Clerk to be sent to all applicants seeking grants aid from the Town Council – copy **attached**. The Clerk now seeks the formal acceptance of this letter as Council policy to be implemented for all applications from 1 October 2007.

## **8. PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **a. Planning for a Sustainable Future – White Paper Summary**

To consider the White Paper Summary circulated to members in July 2007.

### **b. Planning & Economic Development Committee Meeting – Minutes**

To note the Minutes of a meeting held on 11 July 2007 – previously circulated.

## **9. SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION / NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (SALC / NALC)**

### **a. Parish Pump – August 2007**

To note receipt of the newsletter circulated to members during the August recess.

**b. SALC AGM**

The AGM will be held on Saturday 17 November 2007 at the Buckatree Hall Hotel, The Wrekin, Telford. The Council is allowed to nominate two voting members but any members may attend. Attendance has to be confirmed before 12 October 2007.

**10. EU MATTERS**

**11. NATIONAL & REGIONAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS**

**a. Policing Costs for Community Events**

To consider correspondence from Mark Pritchard MP – copy **attached**.

**b. West Midlands Ambulance Service – Changes to Operations Centres**

To consider the consultation document on proposed changes to Emergency Centre Operations previously circulated.

**c. BIG Lottery (West Midlands) update**

To note an information e-mail – copy **attached**.

**d. Bus Services in Newport**

To consider correspondence from Mark Pritchard MP – copies **attached**.

**e. Local Ambulance Service**

To note correspondence from Mark Pritchard MP – copy **attached**.

**12. TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL (TWC) MATTERS**

**a. Granville Landfill Site**

To consider a letter from Lilleshall & Donnington Parish Council – copy **attached**.

**b. Damaged Crossing Points and Safety Railings**

To consider a response to the Town Council's queries about the procedures for repairing damaged crossing points and safety railings circulated to members on 20 July 2007.

**c. Enforcement of Parking Restrictions**

To consider the response to requests to improve the enforcement of parking restrictions – copy **attached**.

**d. Newport Safer Routes to School Meeting**

To consider an e-mail, previously circulated, regarding a public meeting to discuss traffic-calming measures around Newport Infants and Junior Schools.

**e. Sports and Leisure Facilities Draft Framework**

Members are reminded that public consultation meetings regarding the Draft Framework for Sports and Leisure facilities are to be held as follows:

17 September 2007 Newport Library 10.00 – 12.00 noon

21 September 2007 Newport Swimming Pool 4.00 – 6.00 p.m.

**f. Telford & Wrekin CVS – Newline September 2007**

- To be tabled.

**g. Freephone Link-up**

To note the e-mail – copy **attached**.

**13. RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION**

**a. Staff Holiday Entitlement**

From 1 October 2007 the statutory right to paid holiday under the working time directive in the UK will increase from 21 days to 24 days.

Workers currently receive an annual increment of 1 additional day per year until their 5<sup>th</sup> year of service resulting in an annual entitlement of 25 days. This will also increase to 28 days. Local Government employees are also entitled to 2 additional Statutory Days bringing the annual leave entitlement for workers commencing their service to 26 days and those over 5 years to 30 days per year.

This holiday entitlement is in addition to Bank Holidays.

**b. Annabelle Lady Boughey Charity – Nomination**

To consider a letter regarding Town Council's nominations to the Charity – copy **attached**.

**14. COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**a. Shropshire & Wrekin Fire Authority – Consultation Questionnaire**

To consider the Action Plan Proposals for 2008/09 as detailed in the **attached**.

**15. LEISURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (L&ES)**

**a. Allotments**

To consider a request from an allotment tenant to erect a poly tunnel. The Town Clerk will bring the full details to the meeting.

**b. CPRE Shropshire Landscapes – Summer 2007**

- To be tabled.

**c. The Playing Field – Summer 2007**

- To be tabled.

**d. Shropshire Wildlife and Natural World – Summer 2007**

- To be tabled.

**e. CPRE Fieldwork – September 2007**

- To be tabled.

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Distribution to:

All Town Councillors:

(Ashley, Carter, Flowers, Forrester, Meredith, Norton, Scammell, Unwin, Walker - Gratton, Stanton).

Mark Pritchard – MP  
Sgt. Derek Taylor  
The Library

The Newport Advertiser  
The Shropshire Star  
BBC Radio Shropshire  
Nova News (e-mail)