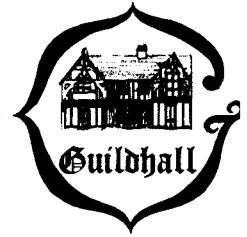


Newport (Shropshire) Town Council



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Ref: DLH/SFA

2 September 2005

Dear Sir / Madam

I hereby give you notice that there will be a meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL** at **7.00 p.m. on Wednesday 14 September 2005 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 vote to suspend the meeting for up to 30 minutes to take public questions.
3. To receive Declarations of Interest. Members need only declare any interest they may have in items of business on this Agenda.
4. To welcome PC Dave Parry and Mrs Diane Haselock who will brief members on the progress of the SK8 Park Initiative.
5. To receive announcements. A list of the Town Mayor's engagements is **attached**.
6. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 July 2005 – copy **attached**.

7. To consider matters arising from the Minutes.

To consider matters as itemised under the following headings:

8. **FINANCE**

- a. **Finance Report**

To approve the Finance Reports for July 2005 (previously circulated) and August 2005 – to follow.

- b. **Revenue Spend to 30 June 2005**

To note the Revenue Spend to 30 June 2005 across all budget headings – copy **attached**.

- c. **Thank You Letters**

To Note Thank You Letters for grants awarded received from:

The Samaritans
The Friends of St. Nicholas Church
Church Aston Thursday Club
Newport & District Agricultural Society

- d. **Grant Applications**

Details of Applications for Grants from the Town Council are **attached**. There is £3055 available in Section 137 General Money, £830 in Youth Grants and £1460 in Section 19 money.

9. **COMMUNITY SAFETY**

- a. **Issues raised with Telford & Wrekin Borough Council**

To note a response from the Borough Council to various issues raised with them – copy **attached**.

- b. **“Boy Racers” – Longford Road**

There was initially some confusion as to the ownership of the Car Park in Longford Road where “boy-racers” were reported as congregating. It is now known that the land is owned by George Wimpy and the Borough Council will deal with them about the problem.

c. Blocked Drains / Flooding in the Newport area

A consolidated list of blocked drains and areas prone to flooding during heavy rain was sent to the Borough Council and the response is **attached** for information.

d. CCTV Coverage of New Street Car Park

Town Clerk to brief members.

e. West Mercia Crime Stoppers

To note information about the Crimestoppers initiative – copy **attached**.

f. E ON Energy Services (E ES)

To note a letter from EES, formerly Central Networks, formerly MEB – copy **attached**.

g. T&W Bug

To note the Minutes of a meeting held on 15 August 2005 – copy **attached**.

h. Shropshire Fire & Rescue Consultation

A Consultation Questionnaire regarding proposed changes to Service provision for consideration is **attached**.

j. 20 mph Zone

Town Clerk to brief.

10. LEISURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

a. Conclusive Map of Registered Common Land and Open Country

The Map of the area applying to Newport is held in the offices but indicates no Common or Open Land.

b. Public Rights of Way – Walking Survey

A survey form has been circulated to all households receiving the Insight Newsletter.

c. The Playing Field – Summer 2005

To note receipt of the Newsletter.

d. Dog Fouling Strategy

The Town Clerk had a meeting with Chris Jones and Adrian Corney, Telford & Wrekin Borough Council's Environmental Maintenance Offices regarding a new strategy to combat dog fouling. The Town Clerk will brief members.

Information on new Waste Bins is **attached**.

11. TOWN PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

a. Planning & Economic Development Committee Meeting – Minutes

To note the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2005 – previously circulated.

12. SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION / NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL (SALC / NALC)

a. Parish Pump – July / August 2005

To note the Newsletter previously circulated.

13. EU MATTERS

14. NATIONAL & REGIONAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS

a. Green Paper on Youth Matters

To consider the Green Paper previously circulated on 25 July 2005.

b. Meetings with MP

Mark Prichard MP has notified his wish to meet with members in the near future. The Town Clerk will liaise regarding dates. If members wish to raise issues with Mr Pritchard when the House is sitting his contact number in London is 020 7219 8494.

c. Sustainable Communities Bill

To consider whether to support this Bill and recommend its backing by local MP's details **attached**.

15. TELFORD & WREKIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS

a. Newport Maintenance Advice Project

Cllrs Irene Evans and Glyn Gratton met with Mr Neil Brookes and Mr Paul Smith of the Borough Council on 18 August 2005 and will brief members on the Project. Draft leaflets detailing the scheme are **attached**.

b. Borough of Telford & Wrekin (off Street Parking Places) Order 2005

Members will be pleased to note receipt of the Order removing car park charges in Newport made on 28 July 2005.

c. Telecommunication Masts

The Town Clerk holds a copy of the latest policy adopted by Wolverhampton City Council.

d. Senior Citizens Forum

The Telford & Wrekin Forum now has a website <http://tandwseniors.org.uk> which carries the newsletter. Hard copies can be obtained from Jill Henderson on 293500.

e. Local Development Framework (LDF)

To consider the Land Allocation Preferred Options Report and Sustainability Appraisal as they impact on Newport which were previously circulated.

To note a consolidated report included in the Insight newsletter, copy **attached**.

f. LDF Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

To consider making a Council Response to the SCI previously circulated on 15 August 2005.

g. Ethical Standards Bulletin – Summer 2005

To note the latest bulletin, copy **attached**. The format of the Bulletin has changed to incorporate a wider circulation, including members of the Borough of Telford & Wrekin as well as members of the Fire Authority.

16. RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION

a. **Newport (Shropshire) Exhibition Fund and Adams and Perks Charities**

To consider the appointment of three representatives to act as trustees of the above charity as detailed in the letter **attached**.

b. **Civil Partnerships**

To note an update on recent legislation regarding civil partnerships – copy **attached**.

Distribution to:

All Town Councillors:

(Adams, Edwards, Evans I, Evans J, Franks, Flowers, Gratton, Holland, Meredith, Treagust, Unwin, Wiggin).

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