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14th January 2015

SUMMONS

To all members of Trowbridge Town Council: Councillors: Andrews, Ball, Beaver, Clive Blackmore, Nicola Blackmore, Blakemore, Brice, Bridges, Bryant, Doherty, Coop, Fuller, David Halik, Deborah Halik, Knight, Helen Osborn, Jeff Osborn, Palmen, Payne, Self and Whiffen.

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to a **meeting of Trowbridge Town Council** to be held on **Tuesday, 20th January 2015**, at 19.00hrs, in the **Council Chamber, The Civic Centre, St Stephen's Place, Trowbridge**.

Yours faithfully,

Lance Allan
Town Clerk

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AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**

- a) **To receive** apologies from those unable to attend.
- b) **To consider for acceptance** apologies received with reasons for absence.

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

- a) **To read and approve** as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 19th November; copies of these Minutes have been circulated and Standing Order 17 provides that they may therefore be taken as read.
- b) **To report and to note** any matters arising there from.

3. **MINUTES OF COMMITTEES**

To receive reports, minutes and recommendations from Committees already circulated, enclosed herewith or to be circulated and **to consider any questions** arising from them.

- a) **Direct Services Committee** meeting held on 25th November 2014
Questions to **Councillor Knight**, Chair of the committee.
- b) **Town Development Committee** meetings held on 2nd December 2014 & 6th January 2015
Questions to **Councillor Bryant**, Chair of the committee.
- c) **Museum & Tourism Committee** meeting held on 9th December 2014
Questions to **Councillor Bridges**, Chair of the committee.
- d) **Leisure Services Committee** meeting held on 9th December 2014
Questions to **Councillor Andrews**, Chair of the committee
- e) **Policy & Resources Committee** meeting held on 13th January 2015.
Questions to **Councillor Brice**, Chair of the committee

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

a) **To receive** Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.

b) **To consider** any Dispensation Requests received by the Town Clerk and not previously considered.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS BY THE MAYOR**

a) **To receive** a list of events attended (copy attached).

b) **To consider** any matters of significance to report.

6. **PRESENTATION OF GRANT CHEQUES**

The Mayor to present grant cheques to the following:

a) Trowbridge/Leer Twinning Association

b) Trowbridge/French Twinning Association

c) West Wilts/Elblag Twinning Association

d) Moroccan Twinning Association

7. **OPEN FORUM**

a) **To receive any** questions from the public, which may be answered but not debated.

8. **POLICE MATTERS**

a) **To receive** a report from Inspector Chris Chammings (Copy attached).

9. **BUDGET 2015/16**

To consider the recommendation of the Policy & Resources Committee at their meeting held on 13th January 2015:

i) **That the Committee approves the Revenue Expenditure Budgets for 2015/16 as detailed on the budget spreadsheets, totalling.** **£1,456,857**

ii) **That the Committee approves the Project Budgets for 2015/2016 totalling** **£35,000**

iii) **That the Committee approves a contribution to General Reserves as recommended by the Responsible Finance Officer to enable General Reserves to return to minimum 3 months general expenditure and that this contribution be** **£30,000**

iv) **That the Committee recommends to Council therefore a total budget requirement of** **£1,521,857**

And that this will be funded in part through a grant from Wiltshire Council of **-£93,876**

Leaving a net precept requirement for 2015/16 of **£1,427,981**

Which equates to an increase of under 3.4p/week on a Band D Council Tax Charge, from £137.92 to £139.64 per annum.

Regulations introduced in 2014 require that any vote on the budget impacting on the Council Tax Charge has to be recorded.

10. **MEDIA**

To consider if the Council should make a press release or social media report regarding any of the issues considered by this meeting.

11. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

That; in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted; and therefore the meeting do resolve that the public and press be temporarily excluded and be instructed to withdraw.

12. CIVIC AWARD

To consider for approval the recommendation of the Policy & Resources Committee at their meeting held on 13th January 2015.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the next meeting will be on Tuesday 17th March 2015 at the Council Chamber, The Civic Centre, St Stephen's Place, Trowbridge.