Trowbridge Town Council

Extraordinary Full Council Meeting 12th January 2021

Working with the Community



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6th January 2021

SUMMONS

To all members of Trowbridge Town Council: Councillors: Bates, Bazan, Beaver, Blackmore, Blakemore, Brice, Bridges, Bryant, Cavill, Cooper, Drewett, Fuller, Halik, Hill, Hoar, King, Kirk, Oldrieve, Palmen, Piazza and Whiffen.

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to The Extraordinary Meeting of Trowbridge Town Council to be held on Tuesday 12th January 2021, at 19:00 on Microsoft TEAMS.

Yours faithfully,

Lance Allan Town Clerk

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Council and Committees, unless specifically excluded due to the confidential nature of business. If you want to join this meeting please e-mail info@trowbridge.gov.uk General Enquiries: 01225 765072

AGENDA

I. APOLOGIES

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

2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

- a) To receive Declarations of Interest from members and officers (as per the agenda) as appropriate in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and the Local Government Act 2000 and the Trowbridge Town Council Code of Conduct in respect of members.
- **b)** To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Town Clerk and not previously considered.

3. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

To allow questions from the public which may be answered but not debated.

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4. MOTION: 2101031734 CIVIC CENTRE VACCINE VENUE

To consider a motion proposed by Cllr Piazza and seconded by Cllr Bazan.

Preamble: The coronavirus pandemic is arguably the single-biggest crisis we have faced as a country for some time. The pandemic has resulted in catastrophic global and socio-economic disruption, most notably creating the largest global recession since the Great Depression. Many have died, suffered from mental illness, postponement of treatments via the NHS or lost their livelihoods as a result. As of 2 January 2021, more than 84 million cases have been confirmed, with more than 1.82 million deaths attributed to COVID-19. In the United Kingdom, 74,000 people have died from this date also. This is one of the biggest concerns and threats to our town of Trowbridge in a long time. Our response to the pandemic, as a council, should be that of one without restraint. We must do everything humanely possible to save lives and supress the virus until it is defeated. I am proposing a motion to Trowbridge Town Council, with the support my fellow Conservative councillors, that we offer the Civic Centre venue to the NHS to help with a quick roll out of the vaccine at zero cost. We should offer the building to the NHS for free.

MOTION:

That Trowbridge Town Council contracts and offers the Civic Centre venue to NHS England for use of vaccinating the population of Trowbridge and surrounding villages for free.

Recorded Vote.

Town Clerk's Response: It would avoid confusion if the motion could be amended to read:

... NHS England/Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire CCG/Lovemead Group Practice/Trowbridge Health Centre... for Coronavirus vaccination...

Provision of the facility free of charge will have an impact on the budget.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Full Council on Tuesday 19th January 2021.