

To all Members of Honiton Town Council A meeting of Honiton Town Council, Green & Open Spaces Committee to which you are summoned, will be held at The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton on Monday 26th February 2024 commencing at 7.00pm to transact the following business.

This meeting will be physical face to face without social distancing, which since July 2021 has been re-instigated.

Please see details below to download Zoom, however this is not guaranteed.

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Meeting ID: 882 9139 2809 Passcode: 455219

Date: 21st February 2024

Stephen Hill

Stephen Hill Town Clerk

AGENDA

If members of the public make a representation to the meeting or simply attend, they will be deemed to have consented to being audio recorded. Voting will also take place by a show of hands and the Clerk will indicate that the votes have been counted.

1. Election of the Green and Open Spaces Committee Chairman Committee is asked to **RESOLVE** to elect a Chairman for the remainder of the year 2023/24.

2. Apologies for absence To RECEIVE apologies and APPROVE any reasons for absence.

3. Declarations of Interests

To **RECEIVE** any declarations of interest.

Members are reminded that if they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) (on their register of interest or otherwise) relating to any item on the agenda they are prevented from participating in any discussion or voting on that matter at the meeting as to do so would amount to a criminal offence. Similarly, if you are or become aware of a DPI in a matter under consideration at this meeting which is not on your register of interests or is in the process of being added to your register you must disclose such interest at this meeting, leave and not Vote on the item

and register the DPI within 28 days. Similarly, other Personal Interests should be declared at this meeting.

4. Dispensations

To **NOTE** the grant of dispensations made by the Town Clerk in relation to the business of this meeting.

5. Public Question Time for items on the agenda

Questions relating to items on the agenda may be asked at the meeting, at the discretion of the Mayor or meeting chairman. No more than 3 minutes will be allowed for any person speaking and normally up to a total of 15 minutes will be permitted. The council may respond verbally at the meeting or subsequently in writing.

Members of the public will be allowed to speak at the beginning of the meeting in the usual way. To ensure the smooth running of the meeting, members of the public should provide their questions in writing prior to midday on the day of the meeting. Questions received after midday will not be tabled at the meeting.

6. Minutes of the Green & Open Spaces Committee held on <u>30 October 2023</u> and <u>19th December 2023</u>.

Council is asked to **RESOLVE** to approve for accuracy the minutes of the Green & Open Spaces Committee Meeting held on **30 October 2023 and 19th December 2023** as published and circulated with this agenda.

7. Community Strategy Action Plan

Committee is asked to **RESOLVE** to approve objectives for an Action Plan to implement the Committee's grouped list of project ideas.

- 8. <u>Parish Paths Partnership (P3) Inspections 2023/24</u> To RECEIVE an update report.
- 9. <u>The Woodland Trust Offer of free trees/hedges</u> To RECEIVE an update report
- 10. <u>Public Spaces Protection Order for Allhallows</u> To RECEIVE an update report.
- Green and Open Spaces Maintenance To RECEIVE an update on works carried out by local contractor and in house maintenance person.
- 12. <u>Riverside Walk</u> To RECEIVE an update regarding the extension of the existing riverside walk.
- Community Asset Transfer To RECEIVE an update regarding the proposed Community Asset Transfer from EDDC to HTC and to RESOLVE the completion of the Expression of Interest Form.

14. Grass Cutting

Committee is asked to **RESOLVE** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council that Honiton Town Council enter into an <u>Urban Highway Grass Cutting Agreement</u> (see <u>maps 1</u> and <u>maps 2</u> attached) with Devon County Council.

15. Battishorne Way Allotments

Committee is asked to **RESOLVE** to make a recommendation to Full Council that Honiton Town Council retain the balance of the S106 grant provided to build the Battishorne Way Allotments for the benefit of the Battishorne Way Allotments and to cover future infrastructure costs incurred.

16. To close the meeting.

Reminder for Members

- You must declare the nature of any disclosable pecuniary interests. (Under the Localism Act 2011, this means the interests of your spouse, or civil partner, a person with whom you are living with as husband and wife or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners). You must also disclose any personal interest.
- You must disclose your interest in an item whenever it becomes apparent that you have an interest in the business being considered.
- Make sure you say what your interest is as this has to be included in the minutes. (For example, 'I have a disclosable pecuniary interest because this planning application is made by my husband's employer'.)
- If your interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest you cannot participate in the discussion, cannot vote and must leave the room unless you have obtained a dispensation from the Clerk or Deputy Clerk.
- Confidential information can be viewed at the Town Council Office during public opening hours of 10am – 1pm or by pre-arranged appointment for outside office hours.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME

TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AS OBSERVERS

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, any members of the public are now allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meetings (including on social media). No prior notification is needed but it would be helpful to let the office know of any plans to film or record so that any necessary arrangements can be made to provide reasonable facilities to report on meetings. This permission does not extend to private meetings or parts of meetings which are not open to the public. All recording and photography equipment should be taken away if a public meeting moves into a session which is not open to the public.

If you are recording the meeting, you are asked to act in a reasonable manner and not disrupt the conduct of meetings for example by using intrusive lighting, flash photography or asking people to repeat statements for the benefit of the recording. You may not make an oral commentary during the meeting. The Chairman has the power to control public recording and/or reporting so it does not disrupt the meeting.

Members of the public exercising their right to speak during Public Question Time may be recorded. Copies of this document are available in large print on request COPIES OF ALL RELEVANT PAPERS MAY BE ACCESSED AT <u>www.honiton.gov.uk</u> OR VIA THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE