

# WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE TOWN COUNCIL



**Councillors** - You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Town Council on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 7pm in the Civic Centre Committee Room

**Public are Welcome**

*S Bailey* Town Clerk  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## AGENDA

1. To receive **Apologies** for absence
2. To receive **Declarations of Interest/Dispensations** now or as soon as known.
3. **Public Forum**
  
4. **Wotton Swimming Pool** – to welcome Swimming Pool Management team and receive brief presentation on refurbishment works & grants awarded.\*
5. **Wotton Branch of the Royal British Legion** – To receive a brief report on plans to commemorate the end of World War I.
  
6. **To receive Police Report**
7. **Minutes of the Council Meeting** of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 - to approve these Minutes.
8. **Chairman's Announcements** - To receive report from the Chairman.
  
9. **Accounts**
  - a) To consider information and quotes for appointment of contractor to undertake Council's 5-yearly tree survey\*
  - b) To consider providing a lidded grit bin in Coombe at a cost of £112 incl. delivery.
  - c) To approve Caretaker attendance at Brush-cutter course at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester at a cost of £160.
  - d) To consider Allotments Committee quote/request £680 for strimming work at Knapp Rd allotments; or consider caretaker doing this following Brush-cutter course above.
  - e) To consider quotes for ascertaining soil depths in the cemetery to establish which areas have sufficient depth of soil for double graves and which are suitable for single depth only.\*
  - f) To approve payment from Town Trust to Town Council of the administration fee of £7,000.
  - g) To approve payments from Town Council to Town Trust as follows:
    - (i) £2000 to rebuild permanent endowment following Town Hall refurbishment as required by the Charity Commission;
    - (ii) £4700 to Town Trust (Police Station £3500 & Chipping Car Park £1200 rent loss)
  - h) To receive report on Tolsey Clock and to approve hire of a cherry-picker (prices being obtained) to enable maintenance works as requested by Tolsey Clock technician.\*
  - i) To approve Mayor attendance at Breaking the Mould conference in Frome on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at a cost of £99 plus mileage £31.
  - j) Budget 2017/18. To note report of expenditure against budget.\*
  - k) To approve the accounts for payment.\*
  
10. **Audit** – To approve appointment of Mr I A Selkirk as independent internal auditor for Town Council and Town Trust for the Financial Year April 2017 – March 2018.
  
11. **Old Town Toilets** – to further consider options for the future of the toilets due to continued poor state of equipment and building itself, cost of yearly maintenance, low usage, & high quotes received to rebuild the facility of around £80,000. Awaiting roof quote. Thornbury town toilet system details obtained as requested at last meeting\*
  
12. **Greenway Group** – To receive a brief update on recent charitable status, and funding aims of the group (Cllr R Hale).

13. **Good Deeds Section: Thanks to Volunteers** – To acknowledge recent volunteer work for the benefit of the town/community.
14. **Clerk's Report\***
15. **Correspondence** to note or request action:
  - a) To note Stroud District Council letter concerning further conduct complaints against several Town Councillors & consider how to take the matter forward.
  - b) To note email concerning the demise of the Road Safety Partnership due to financial cuts and to consider if this Council wishes to comment.  
Brochures/Newsletters for information only: Cobalt News Spring 2018
16. **Brief reports from Councillors**  
County Council, District Council, Footpaths Committee, Special Purposes Committee, Allotments Committee, Wotton Youth Partnership, Town Regeneration, Sports Foundation, Wotton Pool, Heritage Centre and any other meetings attended.
17. **Town Affairs** – very brief comments from Members or items for future agendas

## **WOTTON TOWN TRUST ITEMS**

1. **Land Registration** – To consider solicitor response.\*
2. **Auction of Fleur de Lys** – to note sale of broken fleur stone remnant from top of Chipping Hall by Wotton Auction Rooms for £95.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights. Useful Numbers Highways Maintenance – Freephone 08000 514514 Highways & Streetlighting email – [highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk) Non-urgent Police calls – 101

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