#### ILMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Town Council will be held on Tuesday 18 October 2022 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DG starting at 19:30 hrs.

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend. However, due to ongoing Covid-19 concerns and a duty to protect all attendees, there will be a limited number of members of the public able to attend. If you wish to attend, please let Ilminster Town Clerk know either by email town.council@ilminster.gov.uk or phone the office on 01460 52149 by 3pm on Tuesday 18 October 2022. Officers of the council will advise whether capacity remains.

If members of the public have any questions on matters that are on the agenda, then, if possible, please notify the Council Office before the day of the meeting which item you would like to speak about.

This meeting has been advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media, or members of the public. Please be aware that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public are not filmed, we cannot quarantee this, especially if you are speaking or taking an active role.

The business to be transacted at the meeting is outlined on the Agenda below. Any report will be made available as soon as possible, and in any event at least 30 minutes before the start of the meeting.

Yours sincerely

Mark Tredwin Town Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. Public Forum –

Fifteen minutes will be made available for public comment and response in relation to **items on this agenda.** Individuals will be permitted a maximum of three minutes each to address the committee.

# 2. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from Councillors unable to attend the meeting.

## 3. District and County Councillors Reports

#### 4. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations from Councillors and Officers of interests in respect of matters to be considered at this meeting, together with an appropriate statement regarding the nature of the interest.

Members are reminded that if they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on their register of interest 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 Disclosable Pecuniary Interest 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 and register it within 28 days.

## 5. Dispensations

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

#### 6. Minutes – Town Council

To confirm the Minutes from the Full Council Meeting held on the **27 September 2022** as a correct record

# 7. Minutes - Planning, Highways & Transport

To receive the Minutes of the meeting held on **4 October 2022** and note the committee's comments made on planning applications therein

## 8. Minutes – Open Spaces Committee

To receive the Minutes of the meeting held on **2 August 2022** and **4 October 2022** note the committee's comments, Resolutions and to consider the Recommendations detailed below:

## a. 22-0032-OS Bye Laws

Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to recommend to Full Council to accept the amended byelaws.

Proposer Cllr Shepherd Seconded Cllr Hamilton

#### b. 22-0035-OS Football club and cricket club fees

Members **RESOLVED** by 4 votes for and 2 abstentions (Cllr Shepherd and Cllr Paul) to Recommend to Full Council that Officers be Delegated authority to negotiate up to date agreements with all clubs that regularly use Britten's Field and the recreation ground.

## Proposer Cllr Osborne Seconded Cllr Taylor

## c. 22-0043-OS Licensing 2023/2024

Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to recommend to Full Council that the Rec Users Group be reconstituted.

Proposer Cllr Osborne Seconded Cllr Hamilton

# 9. Police Report

To note the police report

## 10. Mayor/Deputy Mayors reports

To allow members to be updated on functions and activities that the Mayor/Deputy Mayor has been engaged in

# 11. Income and Expenditure report

To inform members of the income and expenditure for September 2022

### 12. Schedule Payments

- a. To agree the payments for September 2022
- b. To agree to the invoice for legal fees
- c. To consider and agree a donation to the Royal British Legion

#### 13. Notification of end of Audit - AGAR

To note the External Auditors notification and AGAR report

# 14. Clerk's Update

To update members on matters already reported to council

## 15. Byelaws

## 16. Neighbourhood Plan Response

# 17. Cost of Living Crisis

To consider possible strategies and actions for dealing with the "Cost of Living Crisis"

#### 18. Civility and Respect Policy

#### 19. Ilminster Information Centre SLA with SSDC

- a. To consider a meeting with the Ilminster Meeting House & Arts Centre
- b. To consider a donation to the Ilminster Meeting House & Arts Centre for 2022/2023
- c. To discuss and agree to the SLA

# 20. Grant Application from Ilminster Chamber of Commerce

To consider a grant application to cover Street Trader's Licence Fees

#### 21. Future of Local Government in Somerset

To receive updates and consider how they see Ilminster post the unification of the District Councils and Somerset County Council

# Should any members consider that any items should be discussed in Part B, Exempt Business the following will apply.

That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded while members consider this item in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

- 22. Ilminster Recreation Ground Tennis Courts Refurbishment
- 23. Nominations for the Chair's Award for Service to the Community
  To discuss and nominate one person to the Chair of Somerset
- 24. Exempt Business To move that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business in view of the likely disclosure of confidential matters about information relating to an individual, and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 8 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (see Section 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985), as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.
- 25. Ilminster Recreation Ground Tennis Courts Refurbishment
- **26.** Nominations for the Chair's Award for Service to the Community To discuss and nominate one person to the Chair of Somerset

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 requested 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.