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30th January 2023

COUNCIL MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
to be held at the COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES,
DRAKE ROAD, TAVISTOCK
on TUESDAY 7th FEBRUARY, 2023 at 5.30pm

- Prior to the Commencement of the Meeting there will be an opportunity at:-
 - 5.25pm for Members and the Public -

OUIET REFLECTION

Those who wish to do so may prepare themselves for the Meeting by a few moments of Quiet Reflection led by Father Cyracius Uzochukwu of Our Lady of the Assumption and St Mary Magdalene Roman Catholic Church in Tavistock.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of unregistered or other interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the Meeting. The disclosure shall include the nature of the interest. If a Member becomes aware, during the course of a Meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item they must immediately disclose it.

Under the Code of Conduct Councillors with a registerable interest must leave the room for the duration of consideration of the item to which the interest relates. Those with a 'other' interest must apply the tests set out in the Code of Conduct as to whether or not there are circumstances that might enable them to remain.

3. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

- To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of Tavistock Town Council held on Tuesday 3rd January, 2023 (enclosed);
- b) Matters arising.

4. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS & QUESTIONS*

To receive any representations or previously submitted questions from Members of the Public in attendance (None Submitted).

ITEMS REQUIRING A DECISION

5. GENERAL FINANCE

- a) Schedule of Payments to consider and endorse the Monthly Accounts as at 31st December, 2022 (a schedule of all payments will be listed on the Website when available);
- b) **Budget Monitoring Report** to consider and endorse the phased Budget Monitoring Report as at 31st December, 2022 (enclosed).

Note – Should Members have any detailed questions concerning any payments or other financial matters they should be passed to the Internal Auditor or the General Office well in advance of the Meeting in order that enquiries may be undertaken and an informed response prepared.

6. BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE

To consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget & Policy Committee held on Tuesday 24th January, 2023 (enclosed).

Note -

- i) Members are requested to bring to the Meeting the Agenda and associated documents relating to the foregoing Meeting.
- ii) Should further deliberations be required on any of the matters arising as appertain to matters subject to the 'Exclusion of the Press & Public' addressed at the above Meeting it will be necessary to take same in the corresponding section of this Agenda.

7. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE (DM&L)

To receive and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee held on:

- i) Development Management & Licensing Committee Tuesday 10th January, 2023 (previously circulated);
- ii) Development Management & Licensing Committee Monday 23rd January, 2023 (enclosed).

8. OTHER ITEMS

a) On-Street Parking Charges – to consider the Briefing Note of the Town Clerk (Minute No 355 refers) (enclosed);

b) Notice of Motion – to consider a Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor P Squire in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No 9 as follows, namely that:-

'Tavistock Town Council joins with the thousands of Devon residents shocked and appalled by the effective ban on Wild Camping on Dartmoor arising from a recent court decision.

This Council supports Dartmoor National Park in its rightful and spirited defence of wild camping, a right enjoyed by generations of local people and visitors.

This Council condemns the loss of this right and calls on Government to enact urgent legislation to reinstate wild camping and protect the rights of people to fully enjoy Dartmoor.

This Council asks the Leader and Managing Director of Dartmoor National Park to write in the strongest terms to Members of Parliament for the Tavistock Town Area & the relevant Secretaries of State and the Prime Minister urging them to act to restore the right to wild camp on Dartmoor."

ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The following items are circulated for information only

9. SERVICE REPORTS

To receive, for information, the following Service Reports:-

- i. General Manager's Report (enclosed);
- ii. Pannier Market Report (enclosed);
- iii. Works Department Report (enclosed);
- iv. Town Hall & Butchers' Hall Report (enclosed).

10. FINANCE & OTHER MATTERS

To receive, for information, the following:-

- a) Report of the Assistant to the Town Clerk (enclosed);
- b) Notes of the Whitchurch Down Consultative Group Meeting held on 7th December, 2022 (enclosed);
- c) Devon County Councillor update as provided by Councillor Mrs D Sellis (enclosed);
- d) West Devon Borough Council update as provided by Councillor D Turnbull (enclosed);
- e) To receive;-
 - Any update from, or questions to, Council representatives serving on other outside bodies in connection with the work of those bodies;
 - ii. Feedback from Members following their attendance at any training sessions.

11. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS AS MAY BE SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN MAYOR

12. URGENT MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TOWN MAYOR

EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

13. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted to consider that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for the following items of business.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS REQUIRING A DECISION

14. BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE CONTINUED

(**CONFIDENTIAL** by virtue of relating to legal and/or commercial matters, staffing and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council)

To consider any Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget & Policy Committee held on Tuesday 24th January, 2023 (enclosed).

15. DEBTORS

(**CONFIDENTIAL** by virtue of relating to legal and/or commercial matters, staffing and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council)

To consider the Report of the Assistant to the Town Clerk in connection with the above (enclosed);

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS CIRCULATED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

16. PROPERTY, LEGAL & FINANCE MATTERS

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To receive any oral updates in connection with outstanding legal matters not previously listed (for information only).

Re-admission of the Press & Public.

NOTE – Councillors are reminded that if a matter has not been specified on the Agenda no formally binding decision can be made on it.

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

Councillor P Ward (Mayor)
Councillor A Hutton (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors Ms L Crawford, Ms M Ewings, A Fey, Mrs A Johnson, A Lewis, Mrs U Mann, J Moody, P Peers, B Smith, H Smith, P Squire, A Venning, P Williamson.

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USE OF TELEVISED & SOUND RECORDINGS AT COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Televised, vision and sound recordings or live broadcastings by members of the press or public at Council or Committee debates are permitted and anyone wishing to do so is asked to inform the Chairman of the respective Committee of their intention to record proceedings.

If members of the public make a representation to the Meeting, they will be deemed to have consented to being filmed and audio recorded. By entering the body of the Chamber, attendees are also consenting to being filmed and audio recorded.

If members of the public have any queries regarding filming or audio recording of Meetings, please contact the Town Council on 01822 613529 or at info@tavistock.gov.uk

*Members of the Public who wish to address the Council are requested to contact the Council Office either by phone 01822 613529, or by e-mailing info@tavistock.gov.uk regarding the necessary requirements for participation not less than 24 hours in advance of the Meeting.