

#### **WELLS CITY COUNCIL**

# **COUNCIL SUMMONS**

# NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MEETING OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL, WHICH MEMBERS ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND, WILL BE HELD IN WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 AT 7.00PM

Please note this meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute-taking.

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17th February 2022

#### **AGENDA**

# 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 27<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

# 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022

To be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

#### 4 MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Public speaking time is normally restricted to 15 minutes in total, at the discretion of the Mayor.

#### 5 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Update on plans for Platinum Jubilee celebrations in Wells **Civic Event** 

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March Legal Service, Wells Cathedral at 3pm. Further details will follow.

### Mayor's Diary

- i 25<sup>th</sup> Feb Wells Lions Charter Dinner, The Swan Hotel
- ii 7<sup>th</sup> Mar Twinning AGM, Wells Town Hall
- iii 9th Mar Annual Parish Meeting, Wells Town Hall
- iv 13th Mar Axbridge Civic Service, Axbridge
- v 17<sup>th</sup> Mar Western Section's Annual Luncheon, Swindon

- vi 25th Mar Blue and Cathedrals' joint concert for Mayor's Charity, Cedars Hall
- vii 26th Mar Wells Town Twinning Social, Seager Hall
- viii 28th Mar Reception for Wells Litter Pickers. Wells Town Hall

#### 6 NOMINATIONS OF MAYOR-ELECT AND DEPUTY MAYOR-ELECT

To make nominations in preparation for the next Mayoral year. (Subject to councillors' re-election and confirmation by new council.)

# 7 MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & COUNCIL MATTERS COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (attached)

#### 8 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REVIEWS (attached by email)

To adopt policies recommended by the Finance & Council Matters Committee:

- i. Standing Orders
- ii. Financial Regulations
- iii. Committees' terms of reference 'Scheme of Delegation'

#### 9 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (to follow)

# 10 MINUTES OF THE OUTSIDE SPACES & ESTATES COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 (attached)

#### 11 UNITARY AND ACQUISITIONS

To receive an update on the Unitary Conference held on 17<sup>th</sup> February from the Town Clerk.

#### 12 PROPOSAL TO FULL COUNCIL

# Proposal from Cllr D Denis, seconded by Cllr T Pullin

"The City Centre roads are in a terrible state - potholes down the High Street, edges of roads breaking up, road markings disappearing (almost non-existent pedestrian crossing!), paint flaked off the lampstands at St Cuthbert's Church completely, Priory Rd surface cracked and thin.

"I call on Wells City Council to write to Somerset Highways to ask for immediate repairs to make good the required improvements before this Summer as the current shabby state is not acceptable to a City which is a tourist attraction to this county."

# 13 TO RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

To follow

# 14 TO RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN REPORTS FROM DISTRICT OR COUNTY COUNCILLORS

To follow

#### 15 ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS OF REPORT

#### 16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Wells City Council will be Thursday 24th March 2022, 7pm

# **EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**Note:** If it is necessary for matters to be considered in confidence, it will be proposed by the Mayor that a resolution be passed under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended.

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