**THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR OF HEREFORD AND ALL MEMBERS OF HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL**

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Hereford on Tuesday 25th April 2017 at 6.00 pm at which the business set out below is proposed to be transacted.

Steve Kerry

Town Clerk

 HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL

## MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

**The Council Chamber, Town Hall, Hereford**

## Tuesday 25th April 2017 at 6.00pm

 **PRAYERS**

Prayers to be said by the Mayor’s Chaplain.

**A G E N D A**

1. **Apologies for absence**

To receive apologies for absence submitted by Members of the City Council.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations of interest made by Members under the Herefordshire Code of Conduct pursuant to the Localism Act 2011 in respect of items on the agenda.

1. **Public participation**

To receive any questions that may be put to the meeting by members of the public present.

##### Minutes Appendix 1

To approve and sign the minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on the 7th March 2017.

1. **Disabled Swing and Roundabout Improvements Appendix 2**

To consider the report of the Town Clerk and determine the Council’s response.

1. **Eastern Route and Bridge**

**6.1** To consider the following motion proposed by the Mayor, a seconder will be required at the meeting.

“The Council notes that the dates for completion of the western bypass are unknown and could be years away. However, the City Council fully supports the proposed western bypass. The traffic problems in the city require a relief road to be built, with a new bridge connecting Rotherwas to A438, now. Council agrees to include a proposal for such a relief road in any response to the Local Transport Plan currently under consultation, the Core Strategy Review when it occurs, and in the meantime to continue to support actively a local campaign to get this road included in Herefordshire Council’s plans now.”

 **6.2** To consider, at the request of Finance and Policy Committee, the attached draft letter to the Leader of Herefordshire Council. **Appendix 3**

* 1. To consider, the request of Finance and Policy Committee, the attached draft letter to neighbouring parish councils. **Appendix 4**
1. **Mayor’s Communication**

To receive such communications as The Right Worshipful the Mayor may desire to lay before the meeting, including the attached letter from Catchermedia.

1. **Visit from a Delegation From Jaworzno**

To receive an oral report from the Town Clerk on the timing and numbers suggested by the Mayor of Jaworzno for a visit in connection with possible twinning and consider approving the use of the Mayor’s Expenses budget to fund accommodation.

1. **Draft Minutes of Meetings of the Committees**

To note the draft minutes of the meetings as laid out below:

Community Development Committee 14th March 2017 **Appendix 5**

Planning Committee 16th March 2017 **Appendix 6**

Finance & Policy Committee 4th April 2017 **Appendix 7**

Planning Committee 6th April 2017 **Appendix 8** (To follow)

1. **Representatives to Outside Bodies**

To receive reports from Members who represent the City Council on the following bodies.

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| 1. **Municipal Charities (x 4 Members)** Cllrs Boulter, Baker, Hey and Lloyd-Hayes
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| 1. **Herefordshire Market Towns Forum (x 3 Members)** Cllrs Nicholls and Wilcox. (plus 1 outstanding vacancy)
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| 1. **HALC Executive Committee (x 3 Members)** Cllrs Nicholls and Griffiths (plus 1 outstanding vacancy)
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| 1. **SAM (x 2 Members)** Cllrs Nicholls and Griffiths
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| 1. **The Enterprise Zone Stakeholder Group (X 1 Member)** Cllr Griffiths
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| 1. **Three Choirs Festival (x 2 Members)** Cllrs Lloyd-Hayes and Nicholls
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| 1. **Hereford Twinning Association** (x 1 Member who is always the Right Worshipful the Mayor of Hereford as President of the Twinning Association) **-** Cllr Michael as Deputy Mayor
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| 1. **Hereford City Tourism Group (x 1 Member) -** Cllr Lloyd-Hayes
2. **Hereford in Bloom (x 1 Member)** Cllr Michael
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| 1. **New Hereford University Working Group (x 2 Members)** Cllrs Lloyd-Hayes
2. **Close House (x 1 Member)** Cllr Tawn
3. **City of Culture Board (x 1 Member)** Cllr Hall
4. **The BID group (x 1 Member)** Cllr Len Tawn
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**11. Town Clerk’s Communications**

To receive such other communications as the Town Clerk provides for the information of Members of the Council.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

 **Monday 15th May 2017 – Annual Meeting of the Council**

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Hereford City Council has adopted the Code of Conduct of Herefordshire Council pursuant to the Localism Act 2011. In terms of declarations of interest the following principles now apply.

1. The former distinction between prejudicial and personal interests has been replaced, and these terms should no longer be used. They will not be used in minutes.
2. Where a member has registered a financial or “pecuniary” interest in the register of interests held by the Monitoring Officer of Herefordshire Council, they must repeat this declaration when any item in which they have such an interest is on the agenda at any meeting they attend. Having made that declaration, they must fill in the register brought to each Committee and Council meeting and may not make any comment whatsoever while the item is under discussion. They may, if they wish, remain in the meeting to observe the debate.
3. Where a member has an interest which is sufficient to give rise to a reasonable expectation that they will not be able to consider a matter impartially, for example where they have a close personal relationship with a party involved, where they have made a public and unequivocal statement of their views etc, this is a disclosable, but non-pecuniary, interest. They should declare this interest at the start of the meeting and may remain in the room and speak (provided members of the public would also be allowed to speak on this item). Members who have declared an interest of this type may not, however, vote on the item to which their interest applies.
4. Where a member becomes aware of an interest during discussion they must declare it immediately and act accordingly.
5. Members of the Planning Committee should continue to resolve at the start of each meeting that their views are preliminary and that those who are members of Herefordshire Council reserve their final position until all representations and facts have been considered.

Steve Kerry

Town Clerk

**All enquiries concerning this agenda should be addressed to the Town Clerk,**

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