**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 12th January 2016 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 23rd February 2016 at 6.00pm**

**PRAYERS**

Prayers to be said by the Mayor’s Chaplain, Rev Preb Paul Towner

**A G E N D A**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

**2. 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.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

**4. MINUTES APPENDIX 1**

To approve and sign the minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on the 12th January 2015

**5. MAYOR’S COMMUNICATION**

To receive such communications as The Right Worshipful the Mayor may desire to lay before the meeting.

**6. TREE WARDENS**  **APPENDIX 2**

To receive a presentation from the Tree Forum, and the report of the Town Clerk. This item is referred from the Planning Committee.

**7. NEW UNIVERISTY**

To receive a presentation for the New University Working Group as requested at the last meeting of the Council.

**8**. **TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE APPENDIX 3**

To receive the report of the Town Clerk

**9. TEAM HEREFORD APPENDIX 4**

To receive the report of the Town Clerk

**10. CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU APPENDIX 5**

To receive the report of the Town Clerk

**11. TRAINING FOR MEMBERS APPENDIX 6**

To receive the report of the Town Clerk

**12. RECOGNITION OF MAYOR-ELECT AND DEPUTY MAYOR-ELECT**

To determine which members shall be recognised as Mayor-elect and Deputy Mayor-elect for the Municipal Year 2016-2017 (to be confirmed at the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2016.

**13. DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETINGS** **APPENDIX 7**

To receive for information and to note the draft minutes of committees held since the last meeting of Council. (These items are not for discussion beyond questions for clarification by the Chairman.)

Finance and Policy Committee 26th January Appendix 7a

Planning and Highways Committee 13th January and 3rd February Appendix 7b

Community Development 2nd February (to follow)

Governance and Procedures 9th February (to follow)

**14. REPRESENTATIVES OF OUTSIDE BODIES**

To receive reports from Councillors who have attended meetings of Outside Bodies as laid out below:

a) **Municipal Charities Cllrs Baker, Boulter, Hey and Lloyd-Hayes**

b) **Herefordshire Market Towns Forum Cllrs Nicholls, Tawn and Wilcox**

c) **HALC Executive Committee Cllrs Griffiths and Nicholls one vacancy**

d) **SAM Cllrs Griffiths and Nicholls**

e) **The Enterprise Zone Stakeholder Group Cllr Paul Stevens.**

f) **Three Choirs Festival Cllrs Baker and Bushkes**

g) **Hereford Twinning Association**

**(The Mayor automatically holds this post as President of the Association)**

h) **Hereford City Tourism Group Cllr Lloyd-Hayes**

i) **Hereford in Bloom**

j) **NALC Larger Councils Committee The Clerk**

k) **New Hereford University Working Group – Cllrs Lloyd-Hayes and Stevens**

l) **Close House Cllr Tawn**

m) **City of Culture Strategic Board Cllr Hall**

n) **Business Improvement District Board of Management Town Clerk**

**15. TOWN CLERK’S COMMUNICATIONS**

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

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 5th April 2016**

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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