

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

You are hereby summoned to take part in a Meeting of the Council on Tuesday 26th January 2021 at 6.00 pm by Zoom.

Steve Kerry
Town Clerk

HEREFORD CITY COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TUESDAY 26 JANUARY 2021 at 6.00pm

A G E N D A

This meeting is taking place under the provisions of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 Sections Four and Five.

- 1. TO CONFIRM THAT ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ARE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN THIS MEETING UNLESS THEY HAVE SENT THEIR APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE.**
- 2. TO CONFIRM THAT THE PUBLIC ARE ABLE TO VIEW AND HEAR THIS MEETING**
It is necessary to confirm the above for the meeting to be lawful under the above regulations.
- 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive apologies for absence submitted by Members of the City Council.
- 4. 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.
- 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
To receive any questions that may be put to the meeting by members of the public present.
- 6. MINUTES**
To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on 17th November 2020.

APPENDIX ONE

7. LARGE GRANTS

(6:05 pm) CLIMB THE TREE – GRANT VARIATION

APPENDIX TWO

To consider a request by Jody Miles and Jo Brown to vary the purpose of the grant of £5,000.00 awarded at Council on 17th November 2020.

(6:25pm) FRIENDS OF CASTLE GREEN – APPLICATION PAVILION RENEWABLE HEATING SYSTEM

APPENDIX THREE

To receive and consider a large grant application of £7,000.00 from Katie Bott and Martin Flowers referred from Community Development Committee on 19th January 2021.

(6:45 pm) KNIFE ANGEL – AWARD IN PRINCIPLE

To receive information from Alison Davies from the Knife Angel Hereford project and to decide whether to approve a maximum amount in principle to be considered further by Community Development (Grants) Committee on 8th February 2021 upon receipt of a complete, updated, grant application by 28th January for agenda dispatch. Application is planned to be submitted this week so might be to follow.

8. ANNUAL BUDGET, PRECEPT & COUNCIL TAX

APPENDIX FOUR

To receive and approve a budget for 2021/2022 recommended by Finance and Policy Committee held on 18th January 2021 and determine the precept and council tax for the new financial year.

9. INVESTMENT STRATEGY

APPENDIX FIVE

To receive and consider the re-adoption of the Council's Investment Strategy as recommended by Finance and Policy Committee on 24th November 2020.

10. ANNUAL RISK ANALYSIS

To note that the annual risk analysis will be reported to Council on 9th March after consideration of non-financial risks by Governance and Procedures Committee.

11. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

APPENDIX SIX

To re-receive the calendar of meetings for the beginning of 2021, approved at Council in January 2020. Please note that the calendar hasn't yet been updated and is going to change due to the decision to combine the Finance & Policy and Governance & Procedures Committees and due to the decision to implement a Community Sub-Committee called Climate & Biodiversity. Once new dates have been scheduled, a new version will be put to Council for approval in March.

12. FINAL 2019/20 EXTERNAL AUDIT

APPENDIX SEVEN

To receive and note the attached report. Please be advised that the issue identified refers to the fact that we announced and published the unaudited 2018/19 AGAR on the same day, when we should have announced one day earlier than published. The Council are still expected to answer 'no' despite it referring to the previous financial year to that being audited. Assertion 4 of the Annual Governance Statement has been updated to state 'no' as requested. All documents have been uploaded to the website.

13. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive any communications the Mayor may wish to place before the meeting.

14. DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES

Note these are presented for information and for members to ask questions of the Chair of the Committee if present. They are not for approval at this meeting.

APPENDIX EIGHT

Governance and Procedures Committee

Extraordinary Meeting 18th January 2021

8 (A)

Finance and Policy Committee

18th January 2021

8 (B)

Community Development Committee

(January's meeting to go to Council in March)

Planning and Highways Committee

3rd December 2020-no Cllr responses, therefore no minutes.

8 (C)

List of applications included.

Youth Council

17th December 2020

8 (D)

(January's meeting to go to Council in March)

15. DESTINATION BID PRESENTATION

To receive a presentation from Mo Aswat of The Mosaic Partnership regarding the Destination Bid.

16. STRONGER TOWNS BOARD BIDS

APPENDIX NINE

To receive information from the Stronger Towns Board regarding bids put through to the next stage by all interested parties.

17. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

To receive reports from members who represent the City Council on the following bodies:

a) **Municipal Charities (x 2 Members) Cllrs Boulter and Foxton**

b) **Herefordshire Market Towns Forum (x 2 Members) Cllrs Andrews
(for ad hoc meetings)**

c) **The Enterprise Zone Stakeholder Group (x 1 Member) Cllr Hornsey**

d) **Three Choirs Festival (x 2 Members) Cllrs Foxton and Hornsey**

e) **Hereford Twinning Association (x 1 Member) Cllr Dykes**

f) **Hereford City Tourism Group (x 1 Member) Cllr Hornsey**

g) **Hereford in Bloom (x 1 Member) Cllr Boulter**

- h) New Hereford University Working Group (x 2 Members) Cllrs Powell and Stevens**
- i) Close House (x 1 Member) Cllr Boulter**
- j) The BID Group (x 1 Member) Cllr Stevens**
- k) Hereford Area Plan (x 2 Members) Cllrs Powell and Stevens**
- l) Community Land Trust (x 1 Member) Cllr Milln**

18. TOWN CLERK'S COMMUNICATIONS

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 9th March 2021, at 6 pm

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.

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Town Clerk

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