

# Wem Town Council

*Wem-Birthplace of the Modern Sweet Pea*

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend an **ORDINARY MEETING** of **WEM TOWN COUNCIL**, which will be held in the **Council Meeting Room in Wem Library, 3 High Street, Wem on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 7 p.m.**

*P. O'Hagan*

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Town Clerk  
23.1.26

## AGENDA

**Sergeant Heathcote will attend the meeting to update the Council on changes to the Wem SNT and answer questions about policing issues in the town prior to the start of the meeting.**

- 1 To note apologies for absence received.**
- 2 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests.**
  - a) To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interest - Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.
  - b) To consider any applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011.
- 3 Public Participation** - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for residents of Wem Town to speak.
- 4 Council Minutes** - to approve as a correct record the minutes of the ordinary meetings of the Town Council held on 18.12.25 and 22.1.26 and extraordinary meeting held on 20.1.26
- 5 Reports**
  - a) To consider the Clerks progress report on decisions made at previous meetings
  - b) To receive written reports from the Council's representatives to other bodies.
  - c) To receive a written report from Shropshire Councillors for Wem Area.
  - d) Police report.

**6 Planning Applications**  
a) To note the recent planning decisions.  
b) Planning Applications – to consider (none received).

**7 Finance and Accounts for Payment.**  
a) Budget report – to consider.  
b) Internal Control checks – to note.  
c) Accounts for payment - to approve accounts for payment.

**8 Finance Committee Meeting held 15.1.26** to consider minutes from this meeting and recommendations contained within the minutes.

**9 Events Liaison Group meeting held 15.1.26** - to consider notes from this meeting and recommendations contained within the notes.

**10 Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre Liaison Group meeting held 21.1.26**  
a) to consider notes from this meeting and recommendations contained within the notes.  
b) to consider and approve plans for the conversion of the staff rooms into a bookable treatment/ training room.

**11 Wem in Bloom** – to consider report from meeting held 19.1.26.

**12 Working Parties**  
a) to establish a Town Hall Funding Agreement Working Party as per minute point 152/25-29b and agree its remit.  
b) to establish a Service Support Working Party as per minute point 152/25-29d and agree its remit.

**13 Wem SNT Council Contract** – to review priorities.

**14 Correspondence**  
a) Shropshire Council - to consider correspondence regarding the listing of Fothergill Way Public Open Space as an Asset of Community Value.  
b) New Street - to consider correspondence relating to parking on New Street.  
c) SALC – to consider nominating a resident to attend Buckingham Palace Garden Party.  
d) Shropshire Council – to consider submitting an expression of interest in order to be considered a 2028 Town of Culture.

**15 Dates of future meetings** – to note the date and time of February meeting.

**16 Exclusion of Public and Press**  
To resolve that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

Town Council Office – for update.