

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 Offices, Meeting Room in Wem Library, 3 High Street, Wem** on **THURSDAY 30th March 2023 at 7 p.m.**

P O'Hagan
Town Clerk
23.3.23

AGENDA

- 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 meeting of the Town Council held on 23rd February 2023 (copy enclosed).
- 5 **Progress report** - To consider the Clerks progress report on decisions made at previous meetings (copy enclosed).
- 6 **Planning Applications**
 - a) to note the recent planning decisions (copy enclosed).
 - b) to consider the following planning applications
 - i) **23/00909/FUL** Flat 1 78 High Street, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5DR
Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for change of use of ground floor flat to a studio Flat.
 - ii) **23/00873/FUL** Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5DB Proposal: Demolition of two-thirds of Edinburgh House and change of use to the remainder (the former Police Station element) to create two floors of one and two bedroom apartments (10 apartments in total, across ground and first floors) with second floor remaining as office space (Class E) and erection of 18No dwellings on land at Edinburgh House.
 - iii) **23/01083/FUL** 26 - 28 Aston Street, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5AY

Proposal: Erection of 6No dwellings following demolition of existing disused building, associated works and modifications of existing vehicular access.

iv) **23/01132/TCA** 56A High Street, Wem, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5DW

Proposal: Reduce height by 3m and reduce lateral spread by 1m of 1no Sycamore within Wem Conservation Area.

c) Pre Application Employment Allocation adjacent to Shawbury Road (ELR031), Wem - to consider request for pre-application opinion in relation to proposals for B1, B2, B8 employment uses with detailed access arrangements and proposals for haulage yard
Reference: PREAPP/23/00203

- 7 Finance and Accounts for Payment** (copies to follow).
 - a) Monthly Budget report – to note.
 - b) Internal Control checks – to note.
 - c) Accounts for payment - to approve accounts for payment (presented at meeting).
- 8 Councillor Vacancy**– to consider and vote on co-option applications (copies enclosed).
- 9 Amenities and Services Committee Meeting 14.3.23** – to receive draft minutes from this meeting and consider any recommendations contained within the minutes.
- 10 Christmas Lights and Festival**
 - a) to receive a report from a meeting held with representatives from the Christmas Lights Working Party and members of Wem Christmas Lights and Festival Committee on 14.3.23.
 - b) to approve the proposed consultation.
- 11 Coronation of King Charles III**
 - a) to consider a report from the working party meeting held 21.3.23 outlining plans for marking the event.
 - b) Coronation Champions Award – to consider nominations
- 12 Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre liaison Group Meeting 29.3.23** – to receive verbal update on this meeting.
- 13 Correspondence**
 - a) **Climate Change and Ecology Bill** – to discuss
- 14 Reports**
 - a) to receive written reports from the Council's representatives to other bodies.
 - b) to receive a written report from Shropshire Councillors Broomhall and Towers.
- 15 Future agenda items** – for consideration Councillor's opportunity to raise items for inclusion on the next agenda – *Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.*
- 16 Dates of future meetings** – to note the date and time of April meeting and agree date, location, theme and format of the Annual Town meeting.
- 17 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.

Lease – to formally note the signing of the lease for the Town Council office.