

BIDEFORD TOWN COUNCIL



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Richard D Coombes
Acting Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

To: Members of the Council

Thursday 15 June 2023

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Bideford Town Council to be held in the Council Chamber, on **Thursday 22 June 2023 at 6.30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

In accordance with The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public are welcome to attend. There is a legal right to film/record/photograph/report public meetings.

Richard Coombes
Acting Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. To accept apologies and reasons for absence.
2. To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda and note the requests for dispensation received by the Clerk prior to the meeting. Encl.
3. To co-opt and appoint two candidates to fill the North Ward vacancies. Encl/Report
4. Public participation session of 15 minutes duration on items submitted prior to the meeting by Bideford residents, which fall within the scope of the Council's activities.
5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 15 May 2023 as a correct record. Encl.
6. Accounts - To approve the payments listed. To follow
7. To receive the report from the County Councillor on issues within the parish. Cllr Mrs Hellyer
8. To receive such communications as the Town Mayor / Town Clerk may wish to lay before the Council.

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| 9. | Staffing, Finance & General Purposes Committee- to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2023. | Encl. |
| 10. | Market Management Committee - to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2023. | Encl. |
| 11. | Planning Committee – | |
| a. | to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 24 May 2023. | Encl. |
| b. | to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2023. | To follow |
| 12. | Tourism Committee - to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2023.
(All items are recommendations). | Encl. |
| 13. | Notice of Motion Councillor Christie: | PIF Encl. |
| | “To set up of a joint Town / Torridge District Councils “Tidy Team,” group to tackle “grot spots” in Bideford.” | |
| 14. | To receive the notes from the Town Centre Partnership meeting held on 17 May 2023. | Encl. |
| 15. | Torridge District Council – To receive an update on Torridge District Council activities by one of the Councillors. | |
| 16. | To receive an update on Bridge Trust activities by one of the Trustees. | |

Prayers will be said by Reverend Robin Pirrie from St Mary’s Church in the Council Chamber at 6.20 pm, prior to the start of the meeting. Councillors and Members of the Public are invited to participate if they so wish.

Report Agenda item 3.

To be appointed to the Council any applicant must secure an absolute majority in a ballot at the Council Meeting. The person with the least votes will be removed from the list and a fresh vote taken until an overall majority is reached. In the event of a tie the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

Successfully co-opted applicants become Councillors in their own right with immediate effect, having signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office, and are no different from any other member (Co-opted Councillors are not entitled to claim a Councillor Allowance. However, they are able to claim actual expenses incurred whilst carrying out official duties).

The member must complete the Members’ Register of Interests within 28 days with a copy being sent to the monitoring officer at Torridge District Council.