

4th February 2014

Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Town Council will be held on **Monday 10th February 2014 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall, Oswestry.**

David J Preston
Town Clerk

Business of the meeting:

PRAYERS

Previous to the commencement of the meeting Prayers will be led by the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Simon Thorburn.

PUBLIC SESSION

For 15 minutes previous to the commencement of the meeting, members of the public are invited to question the Council on local issues etc. Questions will be answered by The Mayor, Chairmen of Standing Committees or Town Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

To receive declarations under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

3. WEST MERCIA DEPUTY POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

Barry Sheldon, Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner, will attend as a follow-up to the meeting arranged by the Council at the Wynnstay Hotel, Oswestry, on 26th February 2013. Presentation will particularly look at future arrangements for CCTV and funding for local policing initiatives.

4. MINUTES

To confirm minutes of a meeting held on:

28 th October 2013	-	Copy OTC/06/13 attached
9 th December 2013	-	Copy OTC/07/13 to follow
13 th January 2014	-	Copy OTC/08/14 attached
27 th January 2014	-	Copy OTC/09/14 to follow

5. TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS

To answer any questions in accordance with Standing Orders upon which formal notice has been given.

6. NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor D Kerr:

“Standing Order 19 – Voting on Election to Office

That the Council amend Standing Order 19 of the Council as below.

“The Mayor and Deputy Mayor shall be elected in order of seniority to serve a term of office of one year and having completed that term of office will then be placed on the end of the seniority list of Members of the Council. If a break in Membership of the Council occurs this will not be added to the terms previously served with the Council but the Member will start from when newly elected.

Following an election, or when filling a casual vacancy, then such member(s), having not held the Office of Mayor will be included on the seniority list above any member that has previously held the Office of Mayor.

Should the seniority list contain a number of members that have reached qualification at the same time then on an annual basis a vote will be taken on those qualifying names, by show of hands, to determine the appointments of the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor for the next civic year..

The Mayor of the Council, unless he or she resigns or becomes disqualified, shall continue in office and preside at the next Annual

Meeting until his or her successor is elected at the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

The Deputy Mayor of the Council, unless he or she resigns or becomes disqualified, shall hold office until immediately after the election of the Mayor of the Council at the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

In an election year, if the current Mayor of the Council has not been re-elected as a Member of the Council he or she shall preside at the meeting until the successor Mayor of the Council has been elected. The current Mayor of the Council shall not have an original vote in respect of the election of the new Mayor of the Council but must be given a casting vote in the case of an equality of votes.””

7. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MATTERS

To receive any update, briefing, or relevant information on Shropshire Council matters from local Shropshire Council Members.

8. STANDING COMMITTEES

To adopt the below minutes:

Markets and Car Parks Committee

18 th September 2013	-	MCP/04/13 (previously supplied)
27 th November 2013	-	MCP/05/13 (previously supplied)

Finance and General Purposes Committee

23 rd October 2013	-	FGP/04/13 (previously supplied)
9 th December 2013	-	FGP/05/13 (previously supplied)

Development and Planning

14 th October 2013	-	DPC/07/13 (previously supplied)
4 th November 2013	-	DPC/08/13 (previously supplied)
20 th November 2013	-	DPC/09/13 (previously supplied)

Amenities

11 th September 2013	-	AC/04/13 (previously supplied)
20 th November 2013	-	AC/05/13 (previously supplied)

Members are asked to bring to the meeting copies of minutes as previously circulated. Duplicate copies are available, if necessary, in advance of the meeting, from the Office.

9. **OSWESTRY HEALTH GROUP**

Report on a meeting of the Oswestry Health Group held on 7th December 2013.

Copy information to follow Appendix 'A'

10. **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT 2007: INVITATION TO TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS – INVITATION TO TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS**

Letter from Stephen Williams MP confirming that the Act has been extended so that Town and Parish Councils can also take advantage of this valuable tool.

Copy information attached Appendix 'B'

11. **OUR PLACE!**

Information from Communities and Local Government following the launch of the Our Place! Programme as the second phase of Neighbourhood Community Budgets.

Copy information attached Appendix 'C'

12. **SAMDEV – PREFERRED OPTIONS**

To receive any further updates following the meeting of the Council held on 27th January 2014 when the SAMDev response, on behalf of the Town Council, was formally agreed.

13. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

In view of the confidential nature of business about to be transacted which would involve the likely disclosure of confidential information as defined in the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be temporarily excluded from the meeting and they be asked to withdraw