

20th October 2015

Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Town Council will be held on **Monday 26th October 2015 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. NABMA AND OSWESTRY – LOOKING FORWARD

Mr Graham Wilson OBE, Chief Executive of NABMA, will be in attendance to formally present to the Council the award as presented at the NABMA 2015 Conference to recognise the ten years of partnership between NABMA and Oswestry.

Mr Wilson will also talk about issues relating to the markets industry at present and look forward to the continuing relationship between the Association and the Town Council.

4. MINUTES

To confirm minutes of a meeting held on:

20th July 2015 **Copy OTC/02/15 attached**

5. TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS

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

6. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MATTERS

Update from local Shropshire Councillors on any policies, consultation or general matter relating to Shropshire Council.

7. STANDING COMMITTEES

To adopt the below minutes:

Markets and Car Parks Committee

16th September 2015 - **Copy MCP/03/15 to follow**

Finance and General Purposes Committee

7th September 2015 - **FGP/03/15 (previously supplied)**

19th October 2015 - **Copy FGP/04/15 to follow**

Development and Planning

20th July 2015 - **Copy DPC/05/15 attached**

9th September 2015 - **Copy DPC/06/15 attached**

14th October 2015 - **Copy DPC/07/15 to follow**

Amenities

9th September 2015 - **Copy AC/04/15 to follow**

Special Council

29th July 2015 - Copy OTC/03/15 attached
20th August 2015 - Copy OTC/04/15 attached

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.

8. SALC AGM

To appoint representatives to attend the SALC AGM to be held on Saturday 31st October 2015 at The Shirehall, Shrewsbury.

Copy agenda attached Appendix 'A'

9. FUTURE FIT – INTERIM SOLUTIONS

Correspondence from Mr David Sandbach following recent announcements from the Future Fit consultation process.

Copy email attached Appendix 'B'

10. IMMINENT THREAT TO A&E IN SHREWSBURY OR TELFORD

Email from the Chair and Secretary of Shropshire Defend our NHS regarding their information concerning a decision to close one of the A&E departments as part of winter pressures planning.

Copy email attached Appendix 'C'

11. REDESIGNING SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL'S LIBRARY SERVICE AND CUSTOMER SERVICE POINTS

For information, and discussion, to consider a Cabinet Report of Shropshire Council in respect of a meeting held on the 14th October 2015.

Copy report attached Appendix 'D'

12. POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER UPDATE

To receive a latest newsletter from the West Mercia Police & Crime Commissioner.

Copy attached Appendix 'E'

13. WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

To note, for information, that the Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, Councillor Chris Schofield, and Town Clerk, had recently given a presentation to Wellington Town Council on the shaping of the Town Council Corporate Plan. In addition, a similar presentation had been provided to Bridgnorth Town Council on 15th September 2015 by Councillor John Gareth Jones, as Past Mayor, and Town Clerk, on the same subject.

14. SHROPSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY

Information on the commencement of a consultation process in relation to the above strategy with a closure date for comments of 29th November 2015.

Copy attached Appendix 'F'

15. SALC – AREA COMMITTEES

Update from SALC regarding the future of Area Committees and recent decisions as taken by the Executive.

Copy attached Appendix 'G'

16. BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – UPDATE

To note that the joint event between Chamber and Council has been agreed with BIDs UK for the 7th December 2015. To therefore discuss arrangements.

17. CITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEVOLUTION BILL

- a) Bulletin from NALC providing an update on a number of national developments and recent meetings.

Copy email dated 16th October 2015 from the Chief Executive, NALC attached Appendix 'H'

- b) For information, copy of a NALC Parliamentary briefing on the Cities and Local Government Devolution Bill in respect of the House of Commons Second Reading on the 14th October 2015.

Copy attached Appendix 'I'

18. 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.