



**WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
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**Members of the Public and the Press are invited to attend all Council Meetings  
(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)**

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

Meeting	<b>Council Meeting</b>
Time	7.00pm
Date	Monday 6 January 2025
Place	United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street TA21 8AG

Councillors will be discussing all the items listed on the attached Agenda and minutes will be available online after the meeting.

Yours faithfully

David Farrow  
Town Clerk  
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24 December 2024

**1. WELCOME BY THE MAYOR**

**2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO APPROVE REASONS GIVEN**

If you cannot attend, please send your apology and reason to the Town Clerk in advance of the meeting.

Councillors are reminded that failure to attend any Council meeting for 6 months, full council or committee/s, will result in them automatically ceasing to be a councillor irrespective of whether apologies are given.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations). Standing declarations made by Councillors are set out at the end of the agenda.

**4. MINUTES**

To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting on 2 December 2024. A copy of the draft minutes is attached to the agenda.

**5. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Public Attendance: For those members of the public who wish to ask a question or make a statement a three-minute time limit applies to each speaker.

N.B Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that are not specified in the summons/agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119

**6. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE LOCAL POLICING TEAM**

A report from Sergeant Jon O'Connor will be circulated prior to the meeting.

**7. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE MAYOR**

The Mayor will provide an update on her activities since the last meeting.

**8. SOMERSET COUNCIL / LOCAL COMMUNITY NETWORK (LCN) UPDATE**

Somerset Council Councillors, Councillor Catherine Govier and the Town Clerk to provide an update on any issues of interest to the Town Council.

**9. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT ON RECENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

To consider a report from the Town Clerk.

**10. POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on the meeting held on 9 December 2024 are attached for information and consideration.

**11. FIRST BUS SERVICE PROVISION**

To discuss concerns about the quality of First Bus provision in the town and agree what action to take.

**12. PRECEPT 2025/6**

Based on the decisions made at the December Full Council meeting, the Precept figure for 2025/6 must be set so the demand to Somerset Council can be submitted before the deadline of 31 January 2025. Paper to follow.

**13. TO CONSIDER EXCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To consider passing a resolution having been duly proposed and seconded under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting, on the basis that if they were present during the business to be transacted there would be a likelihood of disclosure of exempt information, within the meaning of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972:

Reason taken from the legislation: Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

**14. IVY HOUSE AND THE OLD VICARAGE**

The Town Clerk will provide an update at the meeting.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**Members of Somerset County Council:**

Councillor Andrew Govier

Councillor Marcus Barr

Councillor Ross Henley

**Director of Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC)**

Councillor Janet Lloyd