



NANTWICH TOWN COUNCIL

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31st October 2011

To: The Mayor and Members of Nantwich Town Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of Nantwich Town Council to be held in the Council Chamber at Brookfield Hall, Shrewbridge Road, Nantwich, on **Monday 7th November 2011 at 7.00pm** for the transaction of the business set out in the Agenda below.

W R Graham

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Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. PUBLIC FORUM

This is an opportunity for question and comment by members of the public.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF 17TH OCTOBER 2011

Council is asked to **RESOLVE** that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 17th October 2011 (which incorporated the Minutes of Policy Committee of 26th September 2011) be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

5. MAYOR'S REMARKS

6. POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT – LAND NEAR REASEHEATH

Mr Meredydd David of Reaseheath College has kindly agreed to attend to clarify the intentions of the College in relation to possible development.

7. ACCOUNTS OCTOBER 2011

The Council is asked to note the Comparison with budget sheets presented and **RESOLVE** that payments for October 2011 be approved. (To follow).

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE ON 20/10/11

Council is asked to **RESOLVE** that the Minutes of the Finance Committee of 20th October 2011 be confirmed as a correct record and be approved and adopted.

9. CLERK'S REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE & MATTERS OF URGENCY

Correspondence and matters of urgency.

10. POSSIBLE ZEBRA CROSSING ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

Councillor Simpson has requested that the Town Council consider making a request to Cheshire East, the Highway Authority, to establish a zebra crossing outside St Anne's Primary School, Wellington Road, Nantwich.

11. TRANSFER OF SERVICES FROM CHESHIRE EAST

Leader of the Council, Councillor Marren and Clerk to report.

Very briefly, the Town Council has resolved to go forward and take a transfer of all services offered. Progress with Cheshire East has been slower than we would like but they have made a firm offer of assistance with professional costs and authorised discussions with Cheshire East staff. We have instructed surveyors to report on the Civic Hall and Market. We await Cheshire East contacts for lawyers and accountants. The Leader of the Council is keen that all Members are brought up to date with the latest position.

12. PLANNING CONTROL

Applications for Planning permission for observation by the Town Council will be presented at Council.

13. REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES

Members representing the Council on outside bodies and organisations are requested to make a brief report on matters of interest (no written reports have been received).

14. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Council is **RECOMMENDED**, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act) 1960, to exclude press and public from the following items on the grounds that, in respect of the first item, the personal details of individuals will be discussed and in respect of the second item, financial details, personnel considerations and confidential negotiations may be considered.

15. APPOINTMENT OF TOWN CLERK'S REPLACEMENT

Councillor Marren, Chairman of the Staffing Committee to report on progress to date. Interviews for an appointment are on Wednesday 9th November. Clearly, it is desirable that as many Councillors as possible should be involved in those interviews. It is also essential that any Councillor able to be involved, should be present for all the interviews on the day. Councillors are asked to say, at the meeting on 7th November, whether they will be attending on the 9th.

16. TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET FOR 2012/13 – PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS

The attached report refers. The broad shape of the budget has already been considered in Committee. Council is asked to approve the resolution set out in the report. The precept and the council tax will be finally confirmed at Council on 9th January 2012.

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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK TO TOWN COUNCIL 7TH NOVEMBER 2011.

CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS OF URGENCY.

1. Following consultation with the Chairman I have retained Sarah Egerton to arrange town centre entertainment and monitor Christmas lights.
2. Greenspaces South Cheshire have obtained a £8000 of lottery funding from the Big Lottery partly as a result of £1000 initial grant from the Council. The work is improvement and training at the riverside (tabled).
3. The Town and Parish Conference is on 24th November at Congleton Town Hall. It may be useful for some of the newer councillors to attend (tabled).
4. There is a conference at the George's Community Centre, morning of 7th December (Wednesday) about refurbishing a community asset and demonstrating private sector involvement (tabled).
5. Mark Bone 07702220109 is the new contact for Nantwich Highway problems (tabled).
6. AGM of Cheshire Community Action at Reaseheath College on 23rd November, 7pm.
7. Nantwich in Bloom has won a Gold! (Councillors to report).
8. New notice board ordered. (Clerk to report).

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