



FLITWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Ref: Agenda/Council-21/07/2020- 415

16th July 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

All Members of the Town Council are hereby summoned to the **Council Meeting of Flitwick Town Council** that will take place on **Tuesday 21st July 2020 via Virtual access**, commencing at **7.45 p.m.** in order to transact the under mentioned items of business. Yours faithfully

Rob McGregor

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Town Clerk

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Central Bedfordshire Council

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive Statutory Declarations of Interests from Members in relation to:

- (a) Disclosable Pecuniary interests in any agenda item.
- (b) Non-Pecuniary interests in any agenda item.

3. **TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive announcements from the Town Mayor.

4. **REPORTS FROM WARD MEMBERS**

To receive reports from Central Bedfordshire Council ward members.

5. **PUBLIC OPEN SESSION**

To adjourn for a period of up to 15 minutes to allow members of the public to put questions or to address the Council, through the Chairman, pertaining to matters listed on the Agenda.

Please register in advance for this Zoom meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUof-2prz0vG9e5YQ_yu7D0Ly9OQl4Gadlh

Each Speaker will give their name to the Chairman, prior to speaking, which will be recorded in the minutes, unless that person requests otherwise. Each Speaker will be allowed **(one) three-minute slot**.

6. MEMBERS QUESTIONS

To receive questions from members.

7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MEETINGS

- a. For Members to receive and adopt the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held, on **Tuesday 16th June 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access.
- b. For Members to receive and consider **recommendations** of the Personnel Committee Meeting, held on **Thursday 25th June 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access. (Chairman will move to be considered under exempt).
- c. For Members to receive and consider **recommendations** of the Corporate Services Committee Meeting, held on **Tuesday 30th June 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access.
- d. For Members to receive and consider **recommendations** of the Community Services Committee Meeting, held on **Tuesday 7th July 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access.
- e. For Members to receive and consider **recommendations** of the Business Services Committee Meeting, held on **Thursday 16th July 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access.

8. MATTERS ARISING

- a. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16th June 2020.

9. Items for Consideration

a. Councillor Vacancy

Members are asked to consider the supporting paperwork circulated regarding the West Ward Councillor Vacancy and vote for who they want to fulfil the role. The Chairman will advise Members of the Interview Panel's candidate preference.

b. To elect an Appeals Committee

Members are asked to elect 5 Members onto an Appeals Committee. Members who are already elected onto the Personnel Panel are unable to be on the Appeals Committee.

Meetings of the Appeals Committee will be held when required.

c. New Model Member Code of Conduct & LGA Consultation

NALC strongly encourages local councils and county associations of local councils to consider the proposed new model member code of conduct and respond to the LGA consultation before the deadline of 17 August 2020.

Click on the link below to view the proposed new model member code of conduct:

https://www.local.gov.uk/local-government-association-model-member-code-conduct-consultation?mc_cid=53d4c29919&mc_eid=873e8cca68&utm_campaign=53d4c29919-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_06_08_03_15_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Members&utm_term=0_206970988f-53d4c29919-323671145

Click on the link below to respond to the LGA consultation:

https://research.local.gov.uk/jfe/form/SV_blupYNXmiJ0xECV?utm_source=Members&utm_campaign=53d4c29919-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_06_08_03_15_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_206970988f-53d4c29919-323671145&mc_cid=53d4c29919&mc_eid=873e8cca68

Members are asked to consider a response to the consultation.

d. Flitwick Christmas Lights

Members are asked to consider the quotation circulated (to follow).

e. Garage Night

At a meeting of the Community Services Committee on 2nd June 2020 it was resolved to cancel the Garage Night. The organiser is seeking approval from the Council to reconsider this decision at the earliest opportunity (see supporting email). It would benefit the organiser if the Council would reconsider the resolution and change the wording in the resolution from cancelled to postponed until 2021.

To enable the Council to revisit the previous decision of the Community Services Committee this would require as per the standing orders, written notice by at least 3 councillors to be given to the Proper Officer to enable the previous decision to be reconsidered.

10. Items for Information

a. Flitwick Lower School Age Range

Members are asked to note the proposed change of age range for Flitwick Lower School, from 4-9 years to 2-9 years, has now been approved by the Schools Adjudicator. Further information can be seen on a copy of the email received which has been circulated.

b. Local Plan

Members are asked to note the letter circulated from Central Beds Council regarding the Local Plan consultation which is ongoing until 12th August 2020. The additional document can be found here: <https://centralbedfordshire.app.box.com/s/0x3wevvnyioq2e72vyffq83roe24r5n0>

11. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

To adjourn for a period of up to 15 minutes to allow members of the public to put questions or to address the Council, through the Chairman, in respect of any other business of the Town Council.

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12. **EXEMPT ITEMS**

The following resolution will be **moved** that is advisable in the public interest that the public and press are excluded whilst the following exempt item issue is discussed.

13 a Recommendations of the Personnel Committee

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the public bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Council **resolve** to exclude the public and press by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

PINK PAPER ITEMS

13. EXEMPT

- a. For Members to receive and consider **recommendations** of the Personnel Committee Meeting, held on **Thursday 25th June 2020**, this meeting was held via virtual access.

EXEMPT