

Ongar

Town Council

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Agenda

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to the annual meeting of the full council to be held on 15th June 2023 commencing at 8 P.M. at the Council Offices, Bansons Way CM5 9AS. The press and public are welcome to attend.

Michael Letch.
Locum Clerk,
9th June 2023

107/23 Those present and apologies for absence.

Motion. The council to record and accept apologies for absence.

108/23 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

Members of the Council are subject to paragraphs 6 (DPs), 7 (Other Pecuniary Interests) and 8 (non-pecuniary interests) of that Code. Members are also subject to paragraphs 9-11 of that Code as regards declaration of interests and participation in the meeting insofar as any item of business involves such an interest.

109/23 Public participation.

To receive any representations from members of the public. The maximum time allowed for this item is 15 minutes. A member of the public shall not speak for more than three minutes.

110/23 To consider applications for co-option.

111/23 Project update.

Playground upgrade further quotes for alternative equipment to be considered at this meeting.

Town Sign – quotes to replace like-for-like to be considered at this meeting.

Love Lane Office – tenancy let, lease for consideration at this meeting.

112/23 Correspondence

Request for free public parking at Jubilee Park.

Complaint about tree maintenance in Castle Road allotment site.

Complaint about Essex Highways lack of maintenance in Church Road, Greensted.

Complaint about Essex Highways lack of maintenance in Stondon Road, Marden Ash.

113/23 Community updates

Councillors to provide reports on interactions with constituents.

114/23 Consultations.

None this month.

115/23 Reports from District and County Councillors.

To receive a five-minute report from District and County Councillors on matters relating to Ongar.

116/23 Police matters.

Rural policing newsletter

Recruitment of special constables

117/23 To agree the Full Council meeting minutes of 11th May 2023

Motion. The minutes of the Full Council Meeting are approved as a true record.

118/23 Finance reporting.

a. To receive a list of all payments up to the end of May 2023.

b. To receive a list of budgetary information on all accounts

Motion. The Council notes the budgetary information and confirms that the account balance £25,694.26 agrees with the reconciliation.

119/23 To receive the internal auditor's report and note the action and recommendations.

Motion. The Council notes the audit report.

120/23 To approve the end of year accounts.

Motion. The Council approves the year end accounts for publication.

121/23 To approve the annual return governance statement.

Motion. The council approves the governance statement for signature and publication.

122/23 To approve the annual return financial statement.

Motion. The council approves the financial statement for signature and publication.

123/23 To consider opting-in to the salt bag partnership.

Motion. The council will order one pallet of salt for issue in advance of adverse weather.

124/23 Love Lane office lease.

Motion. The council approves the lease on the Love Lane office for adoption.

125/23 To consider an application to extend the lease on the Scout Hut.

Motion. The Council appoints Leonard Grey to renew the scout hut lease for fifty years with a 25-year break clause. Legal expenses to be met by the tenant up to a maximum of £1,500.

126/23 To consider a quote for repairing the Ongar Town Sign.

A replacement green oak post is available for £548 + £200 carriage, but this will need to be carved before installation.

Motion. The council approves the manufacture of a replacement sign at a cost of £6,422.

127/23 To consider approving a request for parking restrictions in Great Lawn

Motion. The council supports the Parking Partnership application for residential parking restrictions in Great Lawn.

128/23 To consider a quote for installing a new piece of play equipment.

Motion. The council authorised the purchase of one piece of Proludic Play equipment for up to £13,000 with the funds being drawn from general reserve and being repaid at £4,300 per year.

129/23 To define the location and species of seven Jubilee trees and the location for two coronation benches in the nature reserve.

130/23 Ride London debriefing. -

To consider responses to the recent event.

131/23 Significant planning updates.

Greensted Road planning appeal.

132/23 To set a date for in-house councillor training.

133/23 Items for later agendas.

Risk assessments.

Cemetery price structure.

Applications for grants.

Ongar Town Strategic Plan Workshop.

Traffic Calming.

Future Events.