

Ongar

Town Council

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Agenda

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the full council to be held on 20th July 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,
14th July 2023

134/23 Those present and apologies for absence.

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

135/23 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

Members of the Council are subject to paragraphs 6 (DPIs), 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.

136/23 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.

137/23 To consider applications for co-option.

Conrad Eydmann
Henry Walton
Cormac O'Neill

138/23 Introduction from Lynn Ridley, Deputy Monitoring Office, Epping Forest District Council.

139/23 Project update.

Playground upgrade. Pending decision on new piece of equipment.
Town Sign – work under way.

140/23 Correspondence

Complaint about maintenance in burial ground.

Request for Freedom Parade.
Application for Girl Guide Roverway support.
Hedgehog highway request for support.
Freedom of information request CO₂ emissions.
Twinning memorial bush

141/23 Community updates

Councillors to provide reports on interactions with constituents.
Support for parking restrictions in Manor Square.

142/23 Consultations.

Community safety.
Bus network consultation.

143/23 Reports from District and County Councillors.

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

144/23 Police matters.

Rural Policing update.
Correspondence on incident in a town shop.
Progress on recruitment of special constable.
To note revised advertisement for special constable.

145/23 To agree the Full Council meeting minutes of 15th June 2023

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

146/23 Finance reporting.

- a. To receive a list of all payments up to the end of June 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 £9,243.29 agrees with the reconciliation.

147/23 Budget – Initial consideration.

To consider a first draft of 2024-25 budget and forward projection to 2029.

148/23 To consider renewal of membership Rural Community Council Essex.

Motion. The council approves expenditure of £105.60 for annual membership.

149/23 Love Lane office lease.

To note the lease has been agreed for three years.

150/23 To consider authorising the removal or relocation of a streetlight in Moreton Road.

A request has been received to remove or relocate a streetlight in Moreton Road. The cost of removal would be borne by the householders, but it may be necessary to relocate

the light if consultation demanded it. If so, relocation would also be funded by the householder.

Motion. Subject to confirmation that the residents are willing to fund the work, the council authorised consultation on the need for a replacement light in Moreton Road.

151/23 To approve revisions to the council website.

Motion – the council approves an addition to the website providing guidance and signposting to support and reporting of ASB.

152/23 To consider a revised grant application pack.

Motion. The council approves version 0.1 of the grant application pack for publication.

153/23 CCTV contract – and policy.

To consider next steps.

154/23 To consider a first draft of a strategic plan.

Motion. The council will develop and agree a 5-year strategy.

155/23 To consider developing a first draft of a revised emergency plan.

156/23 To define the location and species of seven Jubilee trees and the location for two coronation benches in the nature reserve.

157/23 Road safety.

To consider funding for gateway signage as part of a road safety programme.

158/23 Ride London debriefing.

To consider responses to the recent event.

159/23 Significant planning updates.

Greensted Road planning appeal.

Motion. The Council authorises the challenge letter to the Greensted Road developer's appeal against previous refusal for planning permission.

160/23 To set a date for further in-house councillor training.

161/23 Items for later agendas.

Risk assessments.

Cemetery price structure.

Future Events.

Quarterly report from Ongar Community Sporting Trust.

New play equipment for Recreation Ground.

Ongar in Bloom