

Notice of an Ordinary Meeting of

Didcot Town Council

11th January 2021 at 7.30pm

Online at zoom.us (or via your device app)



All Members of Didcot Town Council are summoned to attend the **Ordinary Meeting** of the Council on **Monday 11th January 2021 online at 7.30pm.**

Admission of the public and media

The Council welcomes members of the public to its meetings in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting) Act 1960. Admission to this meeting will be online (**The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.**)

Reports and minutes

We add reports and minutes to our website.

Recording, photographs and filming

The press or public may audio-record, photograph or film meetings, or report from the meeting using social media. As such members of the public may be recorded or photographed during the meeting.

We ask that anyone wishing to record or photograph the meeting notifies the Town Clerk before the start of the meeting.

Public participation – via zoom.us (or via your device app)

The Council welcomes the public's involvement in meetings, which must be in accordance with our rules (Standing Orders 30 - 32 on a matter before the Council).

At the relevant time during the meeting, the Mayor will invite members of the public to present their questions, statements or petitions. To find out about participation – or

to view without speaking – please email the Town Clerk to request an invitation and the meeting ID at jwheeler@didcot.gov.uk .

How to join the meeting using zoom.us

Should any member of the public wish to join the electronic meeting, please contact the Town Clerk by email – jwheeler@didcot.gov.uk to request an invitation. You will be provided with instructions on how to join the meeting. You will need to sign up to a Zoom account, which is free. You should use your browser to find zoom.us, then simply follow the instructions to sign up. Should you wish to comment rather than attend, please email the Town Clerk or the Mayor prior to the meeting.



The business to be transacted at the meeting will be:

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of interest

Members are reminded to declare any interests on any item on this agenda in accordance with Didcot Town Council's Code of Conduct.

3. To receive petitions – Parking on Broadway and Didcot generally – 386 signatures collected in 2018 – “We the undersigned are unhappy with the persistent violation of the 30 minute parking restriction, the parking on double yellow lines, and the misuse of disabled parking bays on the Broadway and around, and ask that the Town Council use its Traffic Advisory Group and any other means at its disposal to seek an increase in enforcement of traffic rules. In addition, we ask that the Town Council discuss whether it would give its official support to the return of the traffic wardens for Didcot. This would help resolve the violations for the good of us all, enabling us to park safely and legally, and to enable us to access the local shops.”

4. To approve and adopt the minutes of the Council meeting held on 2nd November 2020 and the Extra-Ordinary Council meeting held on 8th December 2020, and to include questions on the minutes as to the progress of any item. All minutes are attached.

5. To consider recommendations of Committees to Council in accordance with Standing Orders 95 - 112

(a) Planning and Development Committee

(i) To receive the minutes:

28th October 2020

18th November 2020

9th December 2020

23rd December 2020 (to be approved by Committee)

(b) Finance and General Purposes Committee

(i) To receive the minutes:

23rd November 2020

21st December 2020 (to be approved by Committee)

- (ii) **Recommendation** - Minute 133 to note the letter expressing interest in the devolution of assets from SODC – see *letter attached*.

(c) Personnel and Administration Committee

- (i) To receive the minutes:

7th December 2020 (to be approved by Committee)

- (ii) **Recommendation** – Minute 53 to approve the recommendations regarding amendments to the Leave Policy and TOIL – see attached report.

(d) Environment and Climate Committee

- (i) To receive the minutes:

19th October 2020 (Extra-Ordinary meeting to discuss the budget)

16th November 2020 (to be approved by Committee)

(e) Civic Hall Management Committee

- (i) To receive the minutes:

25th November 2020 (to be approved by Committee)

6. To receive the Mayor’s Report

Date	Day	Event
6/11/20	Friday	Oxford Diwali Celebrations (Bollywood Dancing via Zoom!)
7/11/20	Saturday	Placing of Remembrance crosses on war graves in All Saints Churchyard and the Town Cemetery
8/11/20	Sunday	Remembrance wreath-laying at Town war memorial
10/11/20	Tuesday	Virtual AGM of Home-Start Southern Oxfordshire
11/11/20	Wednesday	11.am silence Planting of commemorative tree in Smallbones Rec
6/12/20	Sunday	Play2Give Festive Mini Market
11/12/20	Friday	Town Council Awards Evening

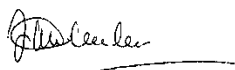
7. To consider and agree the following for the financial year 2021- 2022:

- i) **To approve the budget and precept recommendation 2021-2022 – see report attached**
- ii) **To approve the precept recommendation – see report attached**

8. **To up-date on the consultation on the future of the Willowbrook building**
– consultation papers to be circulated when available
9. **To receive such communications as the Leader of the Council may wish to bring before Council and to consider the recommendation of the Leader on how such communications should be dealt with.**
10. **To consider motions in the order in which they have been notified** –
none received
11. **Didcot Garden Town Project and the report of the Council's Representative on the Didcot Garden Town Management Board** – *verbal up-date from the Leader.*
12. **Questions to the Leader concerning the business of the Council in accordance with Standing Order 58.**

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Pursuant to Section 1 of the Public Bodies [Admission to Meetings] Act 1960 the committee will be asked to exclude the press and public from the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted



Janet Wheeler

Mrs Janet Wheeler
Town Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer
5th January 2021