

WBTC/06/2010-2011
11th February 2011

QUESTION TIME

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting, Councillors will receive questions from members of the public for a period not exceeding ten minutes.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Local Authorities [Model Code of Conduct] Order 2007.

3. LINK SCHEME FOR WOOTTON BASSETT

To receive a brief presentation from Helen Lines Rural Networks Manager, Community First about the possible creation of a LINK scheme in Wootton Bassett.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Of a meeting of the Council held on Thursday 9th December 2010 [WBTC/5/2010-2011]. Copy previously circulated.

As a matter arising from Item 56 [WBTC/5/2010-2011] a request for assistance from a cabinet maker has been widely circulated, but to date no response has been forthcoming. Design drawings received prior to

the last meeting have been forwarded to the Royal British Legion for their observations and a response is awaited.

5. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

6. TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS

With and without notice received under Standing Orders

7. WRITTEN REPORTS

To receive written reports from the following:-

Wootton Bassett Police

Wootton Basset Town Council Vandalism/Crime Log

Member of Parliament

Wiltshire Councillors

Area Board representatives- a copy of the Chairman's announcements from the meeting on 2nd February 2011 is attached.

Representatives appointed by the Council

Copies of documents received are attached. *Appendix A*

8. PLANNING COMMITTEE

Report on meetings of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 9th December 2010 [P/9/2010-2011], Thursday 20th January 2011 [P/10/2010-2011] and Thursday 3rd February 2011 [P/11/2010-2011]
Copies previously circulated.

9. AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Report on a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Thursday 6th January 2011 [A/5/2010-2011]. Copy previously circulated.

10. REVENUE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Report on a meeting of the Revenue and Resources Committee held on Thursday 27th January 2011 [R&R/5/2010-2011]. Copy previously circulated.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of motion in the name of Councillor Bill Roberts..

“With the increasingly irresponsible parking on residential roads, particularly at junctions, which have resulted in a number of minor collisions this Council urgently requests the Wiltshire Council to undertake a review, or if one is already planned to advise the date to eliminate the possibility of more serious accidents and allay concerns of affected residents.”

Wiltshire Council had indicated that they hoped to undertake a review of parking in Wootton Bassett before the end of the financial year and so adoption of the above motion could act as a useful reminder that this work is still outstanding.

The Council instructions are sought.

12. NOMINATION OF MAYOR ELECT

It is normal practice at the February Council Meeting in a non-election year to nominate a Mayor Elect for the forthcoming year. Election years are excluded as it is not clear whether the Mayor Elect would retain their seat at the May Election, or if the political composition of the Council might change.

The advantage of nominating a Mayor Elect is that it not only allows the incoming Mayor to plan their diary but also provides forewarning for those clubs, groups and organisations wishing to invite the Mayor to attend functions.

It is now the practice of the Council, confirmed in its Standing Orders, that the Deputy Mayor should normally become the Mayor.

The Council is asked to consider nominating the Deputy Mayor Councillor Paul Heaphy as Mayor Elect for the forthcoming Civic Year.

Members are also asked to note that with the Alternative Vote referendum scheduled for Thursday 5th May 2011, the Mayor making

ceremony will now be held on Tuesday 3rd May 2011 at 7pm in St Bartholomew's Church.

13. NOMINATION OF DEPUTY MAYOR ELECT

The Council is asked to consider nominating a Deputy Mayor Elect for the forthcoming Civic Year.

At the December 2004 Council Meeting it became policy for the Deputy Mayor to normally become the Mayor in the following Civic Year. The appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor must still be made at the Annual Meeting and can therefore be changed at that time.

The Council is asked to nominate a Deputy Mayor Elect for the forthcoming Civic Year.

14. QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

Councillor Chris Wannell has enquired whether the Council wishes to arrange any celebrations for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on Tuesday 5th June 2012, which has already been declared a bank holiday.

At present the Council has no plans for such a celebration and members are asked to consider whether they wish to ask the Events Working Party to investigate this further.

15. WILTSHIRE COUNCIL –WORK PLACE TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME

Members are reminded that the Council decided to support the concept of a campus site arrangement for Wootton Bassett. It is now understood that Wootton Bassett has been identified as one of 5 possible pilots in Wiltshire Council's Cabinet papers for Tuesday 15th February 2011.

It is hoped that by the time of the meeting it should be possible to advise the Town Council of the outcome of the Cabinet decision.

16. PRESS RELEASES

To decide which press releases the Council wishes to authorise.