

#### **WELLS CITY COUNCIL**

## **COUNCIL SUMMONS**

# NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MEETING OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL, WHICH MEMBERS ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND, WILL BE HELD IN WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 AT 7.00PM

Please note this meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute-taking.

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21st March 2024

# **AGENDA**

Wells City Council has declared a climate emergency. Each agenda item must consider the impact on any policy and decision.

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

# 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2024

To be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

#### 4 MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Public speaking time is normally restricted to 15 minutes in total, at the discretion of the Mayor.

#### 5 POLICE REPORT

6 PRESENTATION BY SOMERSET BEEKEEPERS ON ASIAN HORNET THREATS
Presented by Nick Potts, Chair of Central Branch Somerset Beekeepers

#### 7 PRESENTATION BY WELLS FOOD FESTIVAL

Presented by Lorna Gray, Administration of Wells Food Festival

- Benefits of the festival to stallholders, general public & City of Wells
- Issues concerning the festival committee
- Potential closure of the High Street (Sadler Street) for the event

#### 8 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- i On behalf of the council, the Mayor will thank Mr Adrian l'Anson for his dedication taking the Neighbourhood Plan to completion
- ii Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024, May Charter Fair Buffet Lunch, 12pm, Wells Town Hall. All Councillors invited, more details to follow.

#### Mayor's Diary

- 14th Apr Bowl the First Wood, Wells Bowling Club
- ii 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr St George's Day celebration, St Cuthbert's C of E Infant Academy
- iii 4th May May Fair
- iv 18th May Mayor making

#### 9 OUTSIDE SPACES & ESTATES COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2024 (attached).

#### 10 FINANCE & COUNCIL MATTERS COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024 (to follow).

#### 11 CCTV PROVISION

To consider contribution to Somerset Council.

#### 12 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 21st March 2024 (to follow).

#### 13 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

To approve the updated calendar (attached, by email).

#### 14 PROPOSAL ON YOUTH PROJECT FROM CLLR H SIGGS

(See attached, by email.)

- 1. Proposal that this Council commit to using up to £15000 to support a youth project within the City
- 2. Propose that If this vote1 is carried then there can be a second vote as to whether in the short term (one year) the YMCA offer is accepted.

#### 15 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/TRUSTEES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

### 16 TO RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN REPORTS FROM SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

#### 17 ANY OTHER URGENT MATTERS OF REPORT

#### 18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Wells City Council will be Thursday 25th April 2024, 7pm

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