



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

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Town Infrastructure Committee

Thursday 9 March 2023

AGENDA

Date of agenda: 3 March 2023

To: Members of the Town Infrastructure Committee:

Cllr Andrew Skinner

Chair

Cllr Grace Clifton

Cllr Eric de la Harpe

Cllr Neil Fawcett

Cllr Jim Halliday

Cllr Rawda Jehanli

Cllr Robert Maddison

Cllr Andy Foulsham Mayor ex-officio

Chair of the Finance, Governance & Asset Management Committee – ex officio

To all other Members of the Council for information only

Dear Member

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Town Infrastructure Committee** to be held on **Thursday 9 March 2023 at 7pm** in the **Old Magistrates Court**.

Should any Member be unable to attend please inform me at democratic@abingdon.gov.uk.

Any queries on the agenda should also be directed at me.

Yours sincerely

Alan Rouse

Town Clerk/Chief Executive

Abingdon Town Council - Our Vision

To develop an inclusive community so that Abingdon is the place where everyone wants to live and where the wellbeing of residents is prioritised. In developing this community, the town will be one which is environmentally sustainable, vibrant, resilient and safe.

Our key objectives

- 1 To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency.
- 2 To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future.
- 3 To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.
- 4 To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity.

SECTION I - Open to the Public Including the Press

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in relation to any items to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Local Code of Conduct.

3. Public participation

To receive any statements and questions; these should be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk no later than 5pm on Wednesday 8 March 2023. This may either be by letter to the address above or by e-mail to democratic@abingdon.gov.uk.

4. **Minutes**

To sign as a correct record the draft minutes of the meeting of the Community Committee of [12 January 2023](#).

5. **Traffic Advisory Committee**

To receive the draft minutes of the meetings held on [9 February 2022](#) and [8 February 2023](#).

6. **Finance Report**

i) To receive and consider the [finance report](#) on the management accounts to 28 February 2023 from the RFO, including the [statement of account](#).

7. **Neighbourhood Plan**

To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan.

There is a dedicated website in relation to the plan which can be accessed [here](#).

8. **Grant funded bus usage**

To review the latest bus usage figures for the number 41 bus, which is supported financially by the town council. A [summary report](#) is provided with this agenda and detailed figures will be placed into Sharepoint for councillors.

9. **20mph speed limit update**

To receive an update from the Chair on progress with the speed limit. The Chair to ask members to consider whether the Oxford Bus Company's concerns over the 20mph speed limit should be considered further.

The committee to consider setting up a working party to consider the proposed new speed limit, to report its conclusions to the town council. At the meeting of the committee on 24 November 2022 (minute IF33/22) it was noted that the working group was no longer required so a new working party needs to be established.

10. **Street naming**

To consider the following proposal:

Abingdon Town Council requests the Vale of White Horse District Council place a street naming sign be installed at the Market Place end of Queen Street, i.e. at the southern end of [the footpath shown here](#) and that it reads 'Queen Street' in large type, '(Formerly known as Otwell Lane)' in small type.

The town council recognises that should this request be granted by the District Council then appropriate property owner permission, listed building consents, and consultation with the district council's conservation team will be required but the town council believes that such a sign would help safeguard both Abingdon's well-established heritage and to help local residents to find individual addresses. The town council asks that its officers ensure that the district council's street naming team are aware of this decision.

11. **Forward Plan**

To review and consider the forward plan for this committee which can be found [here](#).

12. **Actions register**

The actions register report can be found [here](#).

13. **Publicity**

All meetings of the council and its committees are open to the press and the public and agendas, reports and minutes are published on the website. Members are requested to make suggestions to officers of items which may be publicised.

14. **Future Agenda items**

At the last meeting of the committee the following items were noted as future agenda items:

- List of policies and established practices pertaining to the work of this committee.
- Neighbourhood Plan
- Bus shelters – update on the condition of bus shelters
- Roundabouts

15. **Dates of future meetings**

To note the dates for future meetings and items for the agenda.

- 8 June 2023