



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

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Community Committee Tuesday 3 September 2024, 7pm Old Magistrates Court AGENDA

Date of agenda: 23 August 2024

To: All Members of the Community Committee

Cllr Neil Fawcett

Chair

Cllr Penny Clover

Vice-Chair

Cllr Cheryl Briggs

Cllr Mark Giddins

Cllr Murali Gunarajah

Cllr Pat Lonergan

Cllr Victoria Walker

Cllr Jim Halliday

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

Cllr Gabby Barody

Mayor ex-officio

Dear Member,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Community Committee** to be held on **Tuesday 3 September 2024** in the Old Magistrates Court.

Should any member be unable to attend and wish to appoint a substitute to the meeting, they should inform me at democratic@abingdon.gov.uk.

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

Yours sincerely

Cherie Carruthers

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Town Clerk/Chief Executive (signed electronically)

Abingdon-on-Thames 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.

The law allows members of the public and press to record meetings of the Council and its committees. Should you wish to record at any meeting which is open to the public it is requested that you inform the Town Clerk of your intention to film or record before the day of the meeting, by emailing democratic@abingdon.gov.uk or telephoning 01235 522642.

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 adopted Code of Conduct.

3. Statements and Questions from the Public

To receive any statements and questions; these should be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk no later than 5pm on Monday 2 September 2024. 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 minutes of the meeting of the Community Committee of [9 July 2024](#).

5. **Finance Report**

To consider a [report](#) from the RFO on the management accounts for the period ending 31 July 2024 including:

- [Appendix A](#): committee management accounts as at 31 July 2024
- [Appendix B](#): summary committee management accounts as at 31 July 2024

6. **Community grants**

a. To consider grant applications as follows. A report on the applications received can be viewed [here](#) and confidential financial information is available for committee members to view on Sharepoint.

	Amount requested
Abingdon Rowing Club	£1,250
- Grant application form	
- Grant scoring criteria spreadsheet	
Abingdon Town Band	£1,000
- Grant application form	
- Grant scoring criteria spreadsheet	
Total	£2,250

b. To consider information received from grant recipients in 2023-24. A [report](#) is provided, with attachments as follows:

- [Report](#) from Abingdon Music Centre Trust
- [Report](#) from Be Free Young Carers
- [Report](#) from Clean Slate
- [Report](#) from Home Start Southern Oxfordshire
- [Report](#) from Thomas Reade School
- Images regarding the Joint Schools Carnegie Trust:
 - o [Event pens](#)
 - o [Event participants](#)
 - o [Event participant](#)
 - o [Event participant](#)
- Images from Abingdon Tennis Club
 - o [Floodlights daytime](#)
 - o [Floodlights night time](#)

- [Report](#) from Oxfordshire Play Association
- [Report](#) from Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue

7. **Museum update**

To receive a [report](#) from the Museum Manager.

8. **Twinning**

To consider whether the town council should procure appropriate gifts and create a commemorative book to present to visitors from twinned towns and regions.

9. **Summer events**

To receive a [report](#) on planned events from the Properties and Events Officer.

10. **To review the forward plan**

An updated version of the [forward plan](#) is available to review.

11. **To review the actions register**

An updated version of the [actions register](#) is available to review.

12. **Future Agenda items**

To review the following items for future agendas and to consider and propose other items for future agendas.

- Communications working party (C43/23 and C21/24).

13. **Dates of future meetings**

- 29 October 2024
- 4 February 2025
- 20 May 2025