



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

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Environment, Amenities and Infrastructure committee

Monday 17 November 2025, 7pm

Old Magistrates' Court, Guildhall

AGENDA

Date of agenda: 12 November 2025

To: All Members of the Environment and Amenities committee

Cllr Gabby Barody	Chair
Cllr Elio Astone	Vice-Chair
Cllr Margaret Crick	
Cllr Mark Giddins	
Cllr Tom Greenaway	
Cllr Leo Midwinter	
Cllr Colin Sanderson	
Cllr Rawda Jehanli	Mayor ex-officio
Cllr Jim Halliday	Chair of the Finance, Governance & Asset Management Committee – ex-officio
Lucille Savin	co-opted non-councillor member

To all other Members of the town council for information only

Dear Member,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Environment, Amenities and Infrastructure committee** to be held on **17 November 2025 at 7pm** in the **Old Magistrates' Court**. Should any committee member be unable to attend and wish to appoint a substitute to the meeting, they should email democratic@abingdon.gov.uk. Any queries on the agenda should 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.

SECTION I - Open to the public and media

1. **Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **Declarations of interest**

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

3. **Public participation**

Standing order 24 allows members of the public to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda for any meeting of the Council (with the exception of the Annual Meeting) and its standing committees, in accordance with the council's code of practice in relation to public participation. If you would like to make a statement under this standing order, you must contact the Town Clerk no later than 5pm on Friday 14 November 2025. If you would like to ask a question, you must submit the question 48 hours before the meeting. 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 Environment, Amenities and Infrastructure committee of [8 September 2025](#).

5. **Finance Report**

To receive and consider a [report](#) from the RFO on the management accounts to 31 October 2025, including:

- [Appendix A](#): committee management accounts as at 31 October 2025
- [Appendix B](#): summary committee management accounts as at 31 October 2025
- [Appendix C](#): Draft budget 2026-27

6. **Green forum**

To receive a [report](#) from Lucille Savin on the work of the green forum.

7. **Report from the Cemeteries and Outdoor Services Manager**

To receive a [report](#) on the work of the Outdoor Services team.

8. **Flood container at Chilton Close**

To receive a [report](#) from the Cemeteries and Outdoor Services Manager

9. **Bus shelters**

To consider a [report](#) on the maintenance of shelters and the shelter in the High Street. A confidential appendix is also provided for councillors: [survey of the condition of bus shelters](#).

10. **Play areas improvements update**

To receive a [report](#) from the Cemeteries and Outdoor Services Manager

11. **Public art working party**

Standing item. To receive an [update](#) from the Project Manager: Business and Community Engagement and a proposal to allocate funding.

- [Appendix 1](#): minutes from meeting of public art working group 3.11.25
- [Appendix 2](#): Public Arts Strategy UPDATED 2025

12. **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.

13. **Forward Plan**

To review the [forward plan](#) for this committee.

14. **Actions Register**

To review the [actions register](#) for this committee. A confidential appendix is provided for councillors to view in [Sharepoint](#).

15. **Future Agenda items**

To consider and propose items for future agendas.

- Town boundary signage – in the wrong place in some areas and may need to be reviewed for revamp and movement as needed, in particular to reflect new developments in North Abingdon
- Biodiversity plan
- Single use plastics

16. **Dates of future meetings**

9 February 2026

8 June 2026