

24 January 2017

To: All Members of Newbury Town Council

Dear Councillor

You are required to attend a meeting of **Newbury Town Council** to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Newbury on **Monday 30 January 2017 at 7.30 pm**. The meeting is open to the press and the public.

PLEASE NOTE: Prior to the meeting the Council will present Long-Service Awards to Granville Taylor, Caroline Edmunds and Joanne Lempriere in recognition of each of them having given 10 years' service with the Council.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh Peacocke
Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence**
Chief Executive Officer
- 2. Declarations of interest and dispensations**
Town Mayor / Chief Executive Officer
To receive any declarations of interest relating to business to be conducted in this meeting and confirmation of any relevant dispensations.
- 3. Minutes (Appendix 1)**
Town Mayor
To approve the minutes of a meeting of Newbury Town Council held on Monday 31 October 2016.
- 4. Questions and Petitions from members of the public**
Town Mayor / Chief Executive Officer
- 5. Members' Questions and Petitions**
Town Mayor / Chief Executive Officer

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6. Town Mayor's report

Town Mayor

7. Leader's Report

Leader of the Council

8. Chief Executive Officer's Report (Appendix 2)

Chief Executive Officer

9. Committees

Town Mayor / Committee Chairpersons

To receive the minutes of meetings of the Town Council's Committees:

Planning & Highways	24 October 2016	(already circulated)
Planning & Highways	14 November 2016	(already circulated)
Civic Pride, Arts & Leisure	21 November 2016	(already circulated)
Planning & Highways	05 December 2016	(already circulated)
Community Services	12 December 2016	(already circulated)
Planning & Highways	04 January 2017	(already circulated)
Policy & Resources	16 January 2017	(already circulated)

10. 2017/2018 Budget and Precept (Appendix 3)

Town Mayor

10.1. To note that the Policy & Resources Committee resolved on 16 January to adopt a budget for 2017/2018, as shown at Appendix 3 and recommends that the Council sets an overall funding demand of £1,019,435

10.2. To resolve to adopt the budget for Financial Year 2017/2018 and raise a precept of £1,019,435 for the year

10.3. To resolve that a leaflet explaining to the public how the precept is to be used during 2017/2018 is produced, with that leaflet to be distributed to each household in Newbury, along with an Annual report from the Council and published on the Council's website.

11. Annual Town Meeting

Town Mayor

To consider the date for the Annual Town Meeting 2017.

12. Schedule of Meetings for the Municipal Year 2017-18 (Appendix 4)

Town Mayor

To Note the schedule of meetings for the Municipal Year 2017-18.

13. Sayers Close Open Space Site Security

Town Mayor

To Approve expenditure of £3,146 plus VAT from Section 106 funds, in order to protect the Council's open space land at Sayers Close.

Attempts have been made recently to compromise the security of Sayers Close open space by persons unknown and temporary measures have been put in place to secure the entrance via Equine Way and Christie Heights. Officers have obtained quotes to manufacture and install a large robust lockable steel barrier gate and steel railings to ensure the future long term security of the site, but still allow access for our grounds maintenance vehicles. The cost of these Works is £3,461 +VAT.

Officers recommend using S106 funds to fund these essential Works.