

Climate, Biodiversity & Planning Committee Meeting of Witney Town Council



Tuesday, 26th September, 2023 at 6.00 pm

To members of the Climate, Biodiversity & Planning Committee - A Bailey, G Meadows, R Smith, J Aitman, O Collins, J Robertshaw, S Simpson, D Temple and J Treloar (and all other Town Councillors for information).

You are hereby summonsed to the above meeting to be held in the **Gallery Room, The Corn Exchange, Witney** for the transaction of the business stated in the agenda below.

Admission to Meetings

All Council meetings are open to the public and press unless otherwise stated.

Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting and speak on a particular item should contact the Committee Clerk (derek.mackenzie@witney-tc.gov.uk) in advance.

Recording of Meetings

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 the council's public meetings may be recorded, which includes filming, audio-recording as well as photography.

As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record any part of the proceedings, please let the Deputy Town Clerk or Committee Clerk know before the start of the meeting.

Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence

To consider apologies and reasons for absence.

Committee Members who are unable to attend the meeting should notify the Committee Clerk derek.mackenzie@witney-tc.gov.uk **prior to the meeting**, stating the reason for absence.

Standing Order 309a)(v) permits the appointment of substitute Councillors to a Committee whose role is to replace ordinary Councillors at a meeting of a Committee if ordinary Councillors of the Committee have informed the Proper Officer **before** the meeting that they are unable to attend.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in any of the items under consideration at this meeting in accordance with the Town Council's code of conduct.

3. Public Participation

The meeting will adjourn for this item.

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of five minutes each during the period of public participation, in line with Standing Order 42. Matters raised shall relate to the following items on the agenda.

4. **Minutes** (Pages 3 - 21)

a) To adopt and sign as correct the minutes of the committee held on 25 July, 15 August and 5 September 2023.

b) Matters arising from the minutes of the above meetings.

5. **Finance Report** (Pages 22 - 27)

To receive the report of the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).

6. **Planning Applications** (Page 28)

1. To receive and consider a schedule of Planning Applications from West Oxfordshire District Council.

2. Members are also invited to note additional correspondence, dated 7 July relating to WODC Planning Reference 23/00179/FUL - The construction and operation of an anaerobic digestion facility, ancillary infrastructure and the construction of a new access road and access from South Leigh Road.

<https://publicaccess.westoxon.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=ROY4I2RKIF200>

Attention has been drawn to this objection by South Leigh & High Cogges Parish Council as it contains environmental and technical information which may be useful when considering further applications of this type. Witney Town Council has already objected to the application.

7. **Planning Decisions** (Pages 29 - 30)

To receive and consider a schedule of planning decisions from West Oxfordshire District Council.

8. **Lake & Country Park - External Lake Report** (Page 31)

To receive a survey of Witney Lake & Snipe Meadow, provided by Land & Mineral Management, for information only.

9. **Lake & Country Park - Management Plan** (Pages 32 - 33)

To receive the report of the Biodiversity & Green Spaces Officer.

10. **Lake & Country Park - Cycling** (Pages 34 - 35)

To receive the report of the Biodiversity & Green Spaces Officer.



Town Clerk