



LANGPORT TOWN COUNCIL

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Notice of a Town Council Meeting

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

Dear Councillors,

You are hereby summoned to attend the following meeting:

Meeting of Langport Town Council

Time **7.00pm**

Date Tuesday 21st January 2025

Place First floor meeting room, Town Hall, Bow Street, Langport

Councillors will be discussing all the items listed on the Agenda.

Gerard Tucker

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Town Clerk

16th January 2025

7.00pm (Prior to the start of the meeting)

Questions and comments from members of the public (limited to 15 minutes in total)

This provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the meeting except by special invitation of the Chairman) to participate before the start of the meeting by asking questions, raising concerns or making comments on matters affecting Langport. No decision can be taken during this session¹, but the Chairman may decide to refer any matters raised for further consideration.

¹N.B Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that is not specified in the summons/agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119).

Reports from County Councillors

The County Councillors are invited to give short oral reports on matters affecting Langport.

Councillors

Sean Dromgoole Michele Crumb Robert Crumb Alan Donald Stephen Glas Bill Paterson
Ian MacNab
Sarah Peterkin
Alan Wilson
Cosmin Gherasim

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, any members of the public are allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meetings (including on social media). No prior notification is needed but it would be helpful to let the office know of any plans to film or record so that any necessary arrangements can be made to provide reasonable facilities to report on meetings. This permission does not extend to private meetings or parts of meetings which are not open to the public. All recording and photography equipment should be taken away if a public meeting moves into a session which is not open to the public.

If you are recording the meeting, you are asked to act in a reasonable manner and not disrupt the conduct of meetings for example by using intrusive lighting, flash photography or asking people to repeat statements for the benefit of the recording. You may not make an oral commentary during the meeting. The Chairman has the power to control public recording and/or reporting so it does not disrupt the meeting. Recording must be clearly visible to anyone at the meeting. Please see our policy on recording of meetings by clicking <a href="https://example.com/heeting-neeti

Please note that members of the public exercising their right to speak during Public Question Time may be recorded.

LANGPORT TOWN COUNCIL - A G E N D A

TC2024/90 To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

TC2024/91 Declarations of interests

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declaration

TC2024/92 To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council Meetings held on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41 (1))

TC2024/93 To consider the following Motion:

Resolved: That this Council reviews and amends the Standing Orders, particularly Section 12.8.1 which refers to the maximum term that a Councillor is permitted to Chair the Council. With the possible merger of the two councils – Huish Episcopi Parish Council and Langport Town Council, Councillors will have the option of proposing annually the current Chair should they so wish for a further period, not extending beyond May 2027.

Proposer: Councillor Stephen Glas Seconder: Councillor Alan Donald.

TC2024/94 Town Clerk's Oral Report -

Including use of delegated powers and update on progress since the last meeting.

To Include: The Big Lunch – June 21st, Cocklemoor

Canal Camp – June 22nd – 6th July

Tour of Wessex - May 24th

Car Park post repair

Christmas Lights – removal

Tree lights - Island

Bird hide damage – Huish Bridge footpath

TC2024/95 To receive a report from the Town Clerk on the cemetery to include:

- The pollarding of three sycamore trees
- Annual tree inspection report
- State of the retaining wall in Kennel Lane
- Topple testing programme

TC2024/96 To receive written or oral reports from meetings and training attended by councillors on behalf of the Council

Finance and Personnel Committee – to include:

- Advertising the position of Lengthsman
- o Fact finding opportunity for the investment organisation CCLA
- o Grant awards £100 Citizens Advice, £150 Play Day, Somerset Council

Joint Council Committee – to include:

The Warehouse Trust – Community Hub

Local Community Network – to include:

- Active Travel
- Health and Wellbeing
- Highways

Cocklemoor Trust – Water quality monitoring discussion.

TC2024/97 Planning

Application Number: 25/00017/LBC

Applicant: Mr Sam Spurgeon

Location: Annandale, The Hill, Langport. TA10 0QD

Proposal: Installation of a lead flat roof and conservation roof light, covering (not replacing) a hamstone flat roof situated over a single room ground floor extension to the west of the building

Application Type: Listed Building Consent

TC2024/98 Finance - To receive the reconciled accounts to 31st December

TC2024/99 Finance – Bank Account Balances -

to note the balances of the Council's bank accounts as of 31st December 2024

TC2024/100 Finance - Payments made -

to note items of expenditure made in December

TC2024/101 Appointment of an internal auditor

TC2024/102 - Chairman's Report

End of Agenda