# **Workington Town Council**

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**Dear Councillor** 

You are summoned to a meeting of Workington Town Council on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 6.30pm on the Zoom platform.

Joining details for the Zoom meeting will be distributed under a separate cover.

The meeting takes place under the authorisation scheme outlined in the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

Yours faithfully CGourlay

Catherine Gourlay
Town Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

#### **Public Participation**

To discuss any items of interest to the council brought forward by members of the public. This session will last no longer than 20 minutes. The council cannot take any decisions in this session, except to bring items to a future meeting. The public are not permitted to speak in other parts of the meeting unless allowed to do so by the chairman. Please follow the specific guidelines for Zoom meetings distributed separately.

#### 1. Apologies

To receive and accept any apologies. If accepted, apologies will be considered to be for reasons approved by the Council under the terms of Local Government Act, 1972, s85.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest relating to matters which appear on this agenda, but which have not been previously declared on members' declarations of pecuniary interest and other interests.

**3. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)** To consider whether there are any agenda items during consideration of which the press and public should be excluded.



## 4. Minutes of the previous meeting

To receive the minutes from the meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 and affirm them as a true record.

To receive the minutes from the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and affirm them as a true record. *Minutes to follow. A video of the meeting is available on the Council's YouTube channel.* 

#### 5. Mayoral Announcements

To receive a report from the Mayor on her civic activities. No events/activities have taken place from the last full council meeting due to the current pandemic circumstances.

#### 6. Motion from Cllr B. Miskelly

To consider the below motion proposed by Cllr B. Miskelly.

#### Notice of Motion.

# As proposed by Billy Miskelly Saint Michaels Ward Councilor

To ease the ability of the public to attend the meetings of Workington Town Council with the intention of them observing their council and particularly their elected representatives at work it is proposed that:

Workington Town Council shall, with immediate effect, adopt a policy of screening live all meetings of this council, inclusive of all committee meetings and extraordinary meetings of all types.

This Notion of Motion would be permanent and would continue after Covid-19 restrictions are eased and/or lifted, with the intention of the public viewing transparent democracy at work.

#### **Reports from Committees**

#### 7. Finance and General Purposes Committee

The Council to receive the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

### 8. Planning Committee

The Council to receive the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021.

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#### 9. Environment Committee

The Council to receive the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

The Council to receive the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021. *Minutes to follow. A video of the meeting is available on the Council's YouTube channel.* 

# 10. Culture Committee

The Council to receive the draft minutes of the Culture Committee meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

# 11. Employment Issues

To note a report of any appropriate employment issues raised by the clerk for a future decision or to aid in her delegated decision making.