

Dronfield Town Council

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To: The Chairman and Members of Dronfield Town Council

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Dronfield Town Council to be held on

MONDAY 3rd JULY 2023 AT 7.30pm
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HALL, DRONFIELD

Yours sincerely

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Joanne Mitchell
Town Clerk

Please be aware that meetings open to the public may be recorded by representatives of the media or by members of the public. Any persons intending to record this meeting are:

1. Requested not to film the public seating area and to respect the wishes of members of the public who have come to speak at a meeting but do not wish to be filmed.
2. Reminded that it is not permitted for oral commentary to be provided during a meeting. The Chairman may ask people to stop recording and leave the meeting if they act in a disruptive manner.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
To receive apologies and reasons for absence from the meeting.
2. **To consider a variation of order of business**
To consider request to change the order of the items on the agenda.
3. **Declarations of Interest**
To enable Members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.
To receive and approve request for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.
4. **Public Speaking**
The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed fifteen minutes as per Standing Order 3(f). A member of the public shall not speak for more than three minutes as per Standing Order 3(g). In accordance with Standing Order 3(e) a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question.
Any issues raised may be noted and a request by members for that matter to be placed on a future agenda for discussion and debate.
 - 4.1 **Planning Matters**
An opportunity for members of the public to raise any planning matter that members may be considering at the planning item of the following agenda.
 - 4.2 **General Matters**
An opportunity for members of the public to raise any matters relating to the town.
 - 4.3 **Police Matters**
If the Police Liaison Officer is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matters.

5. **Council Minutes**

To receive and consider adopting as a true and accurate record, the draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5 June 2023 (Pages 884 - 897).

6. **Items for exclusion of public**

To determine what items on the agenda, if any, should be taken with public excluded.

7. **Planning Matters**

7.1 **Planning Applications (Appendix 1)**

To consider the attached schedule of planning applications submitted by North East Derbyshire District Council for comment and discussion. Further details of any application can be found at: <http://planapps-online.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/online-applications/> and then by inputting the application reference number.

7.2 **Planning Decisions (Appendix 2)**

To receive the attached schedule of planning decisions submitted by North East Derbyshire District Council for information.

8. **Motion – Proposed by Cllr A Dale and seconded by Cllr A Foster**

Council notes:

- The national Labour Party Leader's deeply concerning recent statements in relation to housebuilding. In particular, in an interview with Times Radio reported on the 17th May, he outlined his pledge 'to make Labour the party of housebuilding by relaxing planning restrictions and allowing more housebuilding on our Green Belt.'
- The Labour Leader has also committed to reintroducing mandatory, top-down and nationally set housebuilding targets for local authorities, which were previously scrapped by the Coalition Government, flying in the face of localism.
- The news reports of the 9th May 2023 that new local Labour council leaders would be meeting with the Party Leader and were being tasked with 'reviewing local housing and development plans', with a view to providing even more housing.

Council strongly condemns Labour's recent policy developments and the damage they would do to green belt communities, like Dronfield and Coal Aston.

Council will write to urge the new Labour leadership of North East Derbyshire District Council to clarify to the public about how they intend to review development plans to provide even more housing and what risks this may pose to the green belt.

Council believes that local residents should be able to play an active part in our local planning system and that it should work to preserve the beautiful rural character of our District, especially the green belt. Where new homes are needed for local people, these should be provided in the right places and not on the green belt, which serves the vital purposes of restricting urban sprawl, preserving the character of historic towns, preventing the coalescence of communities, and assisting in urban regeneration.

9. **Outside Services Report (Appendix 3)**

To consider the written report submitted.

10. **Meeting Reports (Appendix 4)**

To receive the meeting reports and recommendations on various matters:-

- 10.1 Events Advisory Committee held on 6 June 2023
- 10.2 Properties Advisory Committee held on 22 June 2023

11. **Town Clerk's Report (Appendix 5)**

To consider the written report submitted by the Town Clerk.

12. **Financial Reports (Appendix 6) – to follow**

- 12.1 Schedule of Payments including BAC breakdown for May 2023
- 12.2 Schedule of Receipts for May 2023
- 12.3 Income and Expenditure to 31st May 2023
- 12.4 Bank Reconciliation as at 31st May 2023

13. **Exclusion of the Press and the Public**

To move the following resolution – That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

14. Meeting Report

To receive the following meeting reports and recommendations on various matters.

14.1 Civic Hall Advisory Committee held on 7 June 2023

14.2 Civic Hall Advisory Committee held on 19 June 2023

14.3 Personnel Advisory Committee held on 19 June 2023