

Wimborne Minster Town Council

Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 1LT

To all town councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the **Finance and Governance Committee** on **Tuesday 8 April 2025 at 7pm** in the Committee Room in the Town Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business as detailed on the agenda below.

L. Harrison (Town Clerk/RFO), Wimborne Minster Town Council, 2 April 2025

Council are asked to note that in the exercise of their functions they must take note of the following: equal opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); crime and disorder, health and safety, and human rights.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend any of Wimborne Minster Town Council and Committee meetings. All agendas and minutes can be viewed on the Council's website www.wimborne.gov.uk and requested from the Town Council offices (for contact details see address above).

Under the Public Participation item on the agenda members of the public can ask questions of Town Council in relation to items on the agenda in accordance with Wimborne Minster Town Council's Standing Orders. Please notify your intention to speak either in advance of or at the meeting by emailing the Town Clerk at louise.harrison@wimborne.gov.uk. Members of the public are asked to restrict their comments, and/or questions to three minutes.

The agenda may be split into two parts – part of the meeting that is open to the public and other part for items on the agenda which may be discussed in the absence of the press or public because the agenda item for discussion includes personal, confidential, or sensitive information (Exempt Business). The press and public will be asked to leave the meeting once a resolution is passed that reflects a decision to go into Exempt Business.

Photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is permitted. A person may not orally report or comment about a meeting as it takes place if he is present at the meeting of a parish council or its committees but otherwise may: film, photograph or make an audio recording of a meeting; use any other means for enabling persons not present to see or hear proceedings at a meeting as it takes place or later; report or comment on the proceedings in writing during or after a meeting or orally report or comment after the meeting.

Any person who may find difficulty in access to the meeting through disability is asked to advise the Town Clerk as detailed above at least 24 hours before the meeting so that every effort may be made to provide access.

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

To receive and approve apologies for absence including reasons given (Local Government Act 1972 s85 (1)) - please can councillors give apologies by email / telephone by 5pm on day of meeting.

2. Declarations of interest and requests for dispensations

To declare any interests' councillors may have on items on the agenda and agree any dispensations to stay (Wimborne Minster Town Council Code of Conduct).

3. Public participation

For the public or press to ask questions of the Council on matters relating to this Agenda.

4. Committee minutes 18 March 2025

To receive the minutes of the previous Committee meeting on 18 March (appendix 1) and signed by the Committee Chairman.

5. Finance documents for February 2025

- (i) To consider, review and approve bank statements, reconciliations, payments and receipts for February (appendix 2) and signed by the Chairman.
- (ii) To consider and note the Town Council's income and expenditure report from 1 April to 28 February (appendix 3) and ear marked reserves report (appendix 4).

6. Wimborne Cemetery insurance review

To retrospectively approve the Cemetery insurance at a cost of £1,760 (appendix 5).

7. Practitioners' Guide 2025

To note the Practitioners' Guire 2025 (governance and accountability for smaller authorities in England) for the current financial year (appendix 6).

8. Policies and procedures review

To note the progress of the Town Council' policies and procedures review via SharePoint in time for the annual meeting on 13 May.

9. Close of meeting, future motions and date of next meeting (to be confirmed).