



Skipton Town Council

7 August 2020

To all members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Full Council via Zoom Video Conferencing on **Thursday 13th August 2020** at **7.00pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

NOTE - ALL MEMBERS WILL BE MUTED AFTER THE CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION AND MUST INDICATE CLEARLY WHEN THEY WISH TO SPEAK.

Members are requested to familiarise themselves with the agenda and any associated reports ahead of the meeting. If you require any further information or background, you are requested to contact the appropriate Officer for assistance. Details of the author and/or responsible officer can be found at the end of each report.

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REPORTING OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL

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AGENDA

FULL COUNCIL

13 August 2020

Full Council Agenda

1. To accept representations from the Public between 7.00 pm and 7.15 pm.

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed for any representations or statements from members of the public. This period can be extended at the discretion of the Chairman. Normally, each member of the public should be allowed to speak for no more than five minutes. Council Members may ask questions to clarify any points raised, but no resolutions can be made, nor decisions taken, during this item. Members of the public should be reminded that they may remain in attendance during the rest of the meeting (except for confidential items) but they may not take part in any subsequent discussions. A record should be taken of those members of the public speaking.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Members are reminded that it is their individual responsibility to ensure that any apologies for absence are received by the Council before the start of the meeting. Apologies may be given in advance in writing, by telephone or by email to the office (during office hours). Late apologies (outside of office hours) on the date of the meeting can be sent by telephone or text to the senior Officer in attendance. Contact details are shown at the bottom of this agenda. A valid reason for absence must be stated and recorded in the minutes – and each absence must be approved by an affirmative resolution of those Members present.

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

It is the responsibility of each Member, individually, to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. This should be done during this item or as soon as possible should an interest become apparent during the course of the meeting. The declaration will be recorded in the minutes. Members are reminded that a pecuniary interest arises only if the Member concerned (or their partner) has a personal financial interest in the matter being considered. Declarations need not be made for any item relating to the setting of the Council's precept. In the case of any doubt, Members are requested to seek guidance from the Chief Officer ahead of the meeting.

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

The Chief Officer (or Senior Officer in attendance) will inform Members of any valid requests received and will make a recommendation to Members as to whether the request should be approved. Requests must be submitted in advance of the meeting, to the Chief Officer, on the official request form. Full details are available from the office. Requests for dispensations cannot be made at the meeting itself.

5. To approve the co-option of a person to serve as a Councillor to fill the Casual Vacancy in the West Ward of Skipton Town Council (Report attached)

6. To note the procedure for the completion of the Council's Annual Governance and Accountability Return for year-ending 31st March 2020 (Report attached)

7. To note and approve the Council's Financial Statements for year-ending 31st March 2020 (Report attached)
8. To approve the Council's Annual Governance Statement for 2019/2020 (Report attached)
9. To approve the Council's Accounting Statements for 2019/2020 (Report attached)
10. To consider matters relating to alleged electoral irregularities at the May 2019 elections (Report from Cllrs Jaquin, Dawson and Hickman attached)
11. To note matters Members may wish to be included on a future agenda.

OFFICER SUPPORT TO THE MEETING:

Senior Officer Scheduled to Attend: Dave Parker (Chief Officer)

Other Officers Scheduled to Attend:

Jenny Dean (Acting Administration & Member Services Manager)

APOLOGIES:

Contact the office during normal opening hours: (01756) 700553

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Late apologies should be made by phone or text message to the senior Officer scheduled to attend.

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