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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SCHEDULE 12 PARAGRAPH 26(2) [A] (ADMISSIONS TO
MEETINGS) SECTION 1(4)

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEWES TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF LEWES TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY THE 21ST OF DECEMBER 2023 AT 7PM
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE THE RIGHT TO ATTEND UNLESS A SPECIFIC
DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN TO EXCLUDE THEM

PUBLIC SESSION

For 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting, members of the public are invited to question the Council on local issues etc. Questions will be answered by The Chair or Town Clerk. These persons will reserve the right to postpone making an answer until the following meeting in order to take advice or undertake research. During this time, outstanding answers from previous meetings will be delivered.

TO THE CHAIR AND COUNCILLORS LEWES TOWN COUNCIL
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND AN ORDINARY MEETING OF
LEWES TOWN COUNCIL THURSDAY 21st DECEMBER 2023
7.00PM AT LEWES TOWN HALL

Meeting Called by Karen Crowhurst Interim Town Clerk RFO

Signed: *K A Crowhurst*

Date: 14th December 2023

AGENDA

1. WELCOME FROM THE MAYOR

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To note any apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) on the agenda under Lewes Town Council's Code of Conduct issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

To receive a verbal report from the Chair including a recent meeting between Lewes Town Council PSCOs and the new Inspector.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To receive and approve:-

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Lewes Town Council held on 16th November 2023

6. MINUTES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Planning Committee

Meeting held on the 14th of November

7. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVE TO EXTERNAL BODIES

Lewes District Association of Local Councils	Councillors Bird and Makepeace
Citizens Advice Bureau	Councillor Bahh
Railway Land Wildlife Trust	Councillors Bird and Vernon
Sussex Community Rail Partnership	Cllr Dr Maples
Lewes Priory Trust	Councillors Bird and Vernon
Lewes Priory Trust UNESCO Representative	Councillor Norris
Stanley Turner Advisory Committee	Councillor Burrows
Lewes Conservation Area Advisory Group	Councillors Livesey and Ross
Plastic-free Lewes' Initiative	Councillors Livesey and Gardiner
Low Traffic Town Working Group	Councillor Morgan
Lewes Chamber of Commerce	Councillors Gardiner and Tigg
Sussex Police Community Safety Action Group	Councillor Clarke
Inland Lewes Focus Group	Councillor Clarke
Lewes District Council Planning Service User Group	Councillor Makepeace

8. FINANCE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

To receive and approve:-

- List of Payments and Receipts for November 2023
- Bank Reconciliation for November 2023
- To note the cost centre summary as being the Councils position regarding the budget on 30th November 2023

9. BUDGET 2024/5

- a) To approve the budget for the 2024/25 financial year
- b) To set the precept for the 2024/25 financial year.

10. CIVIC AWARDS PANEL

- a) To appoint a Civic awards panel comprising of 5 members

b) To set a date in early February 2024 to go through the nominee applications

11. CLERK'S REPORT

- a) To receive a verbal report on the operational activities of the Council to consider nominations and applications.

12. BLAKES WALK- POPLARS REMOVAL – To note the decision and discuss and agree any correspondence to send to East Sussex County Council.

13. Motion(s)

Cllr Livesey.

Background

The Arts and Culture Officer for Lewes District Council, Helen Browning-Smith, would like to partner with us on some of our initiatives/likely initiatives next year. To help her to present this to managers, it would be helpful to know LTC is supportive of this. No money is being requested at the moment, except for the small item in no 3.

Part 1:

"That Lewes Town Council anticipates and welcomes the following events for 2024, which will have involvement from Lewes District Council:

1. A celebration of Rodin's Kiss (25 years since it came to Lewes) as part of the overall celebrations for Lewes Town Council's 50th Anniversary.
2. A celebration of feisty Lewes women in history, as part of International Women's Day
3. A celebration of the historic green huts on Garden St prior to their demolition, once the church for the WW1 camp in Seaford.

Part 2:

That the council allows expenditure of up to £350 to item C, to cover possible costs of art materials, fees if any, publicity, PA hire if needed and sundries. The event has been planned for January/February in light of the anticipated demolition in the spring."

14. TO CLOSE THE MEETING

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC – If needed.

That pursuant to the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business by reason of the confidential nature of business to be transacted.