

21st July 2020

Dear Councillor,

NOTICE OF MEETING – ASHBY de la ZOUCHE TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the Ashby de la Zouch Town Council will be held remotely by Zoom at 6.30 p.m. on **MONDAY 27th JULY 2020** for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda below.

All members of the Town Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.

Please note: this is a rescheduled meeting following the cancellation of the meeting which was due to be held remotely on Monday 20th July 2020.

The Annexes have previously been served on members, by Royal Mail, prior to the cancelled meeting. It is not intended to re-serve these annexes.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the Town Council, and all of its Committees, will meet by Zoom for the foreseeable future.

To join the meeting by Zoom please use the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98709670125?pwd=M1FSUGoyeHFZSkpNellxcUc0QVpYZz09>

Meeting ID: 987 0967 0125

Passcode: 769956

Members of the public and the press are welcome to attend by using the above details. If you encounter any difficulties please contact the Town Council office by 1.00pm on the day of the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Jack Fargher

Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES.**

To receive apologies for absence.

2. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION.**

Members of the public may ask questions, make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

To receive any Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

4. **DISPENSATIONS.**

To receive any applications for dispensation.

5. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

To receive a brief verbal report on the recent activities of the Mayor.

6. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

Annex 1.

To confirm the minutes of the following meetings:

- a. the public minutes of the Town Council held on Monday 27th January 2020;
- b. the confidential minutes of the Town Council held on Monday 27th January 2020;
- c. the public minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 9th March 2020;
- d. the confidential minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 9th March 2020;

7. **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.**

Annex 2.

To receive and to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Transportation Committee held on Monday 20th January, 24th February and 23rd March 2020.

8. **PARKS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE.**

Annex 3.

To receive and to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Cemetery Committee held on Monday 2nd March

2020.

9. ACCOUNTS. Annex 4.

To approve, retrospectively, the payment of accounts as shown attached:

- i. £40,827.46;
- ii. £4,039.00;
- iii. £19,391.07;
- iv. £29,976.68;
- v. £28,217.71;
- vi. £36,126.71.

in the total sum of £158,578.63.

10. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2019/20. Annex 5.

To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year ended 31st March 2020.

11. ANNUAL ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2019/20. Annex 5.

To approve the Annual Accounting Statements for the financial year ended 31st March 2020.

12. MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR.

Annex 6.

To approve the draft schedule of meetings for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/21.

13. ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20. Annex 7.

To receive and note the Town Council's Annual Report for the year 2019/20.

14. REPORT ON THE EXERCISE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY. Annex 8.

- a. To receive and note a written report from the Town Clerk on the exercise of delegated authority during the Covid-19 pandemic suspension of Town Council meetings;
- b. To approve a letter from the leader of the Town Council to all Town Council employees to thank them for their commitment throughout the Coronavirus crisis.

15. 'ASHBY AGAINST RACISM' MARCH 20th JUNE 2020. Annex 9.

- a. To receive and note a letter dated 23rd June 2020 written by the Leader of the Town Council to the organiser of the 'Ashby Against Racism' march on Saturday 20th June 2020;
- b. To consider the following motion from Councillor Dr. B. Kneale, seconded by Councillor Coxon:

"Ashby Town Council has shown its commitment to equality, diversity and fairness, endeavouring to promote racial equality in all our activities through our Equality and Diversity policy.

Following world events, members of the Ashby de la Zouch community demonstrated its solidarity with "Black Lives Matter" and other anti-racist movements both in the UK and around the world with the peaceful "Ashby Against Racism" march to the Bath Grounds on the 20th June 2020.

Ashby Town Council welcomes this demonstration of anti-racist solidarity and restates its commitment to opposing all forms of racial discrimination and injustice."

16. PROPOSED PURCHASE OF THE BATH GROUNDS. Annex 10.

To receive and note a written report from the Town Clerk on progress on the application for a loan from the Public Works Loan Board in accordance with the resolution passed by the Town Council at its meeting on Monday 27th January 2020.

17. MODEL MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT CONSULTATION. Annex 11.

To receive and note the Local Government Association Model Member Code of Conduct public consultation and to note that the deadline for responses is Monday 17th August 2020.