



BEAMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

Members of the Town Council are summoned to a meeting of Beaminster Town Council to be held in the Skyrm Room in the Public Hall on Monday 20 July 2009 at 7.00pm.

Town Clerk

6.45pm Presentation by Mr T Gibbons, Beaminster School – Farm Project

PUBLIC SESSION (7.00pm)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO RAISE ISSUES WHICH MAY BE SUBSEQUENTLY DISCUSSED AT TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 June 2009**
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- **REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS FOR:**
 - i. Dorset Police Representative
 - ii. West Dorset District Councillors
 - iii. Dorset County Councillor
 - iv. Reports from Outside Organisations
- 4. PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS (DECISION)**

To consider approving the schedule of payments and receipts (to be circulated at the meeting).
- 5. COUNCILLORS SURGERIES (DECISION)**

To agree the dates of Councillor's Surgeries for 2009/2010 as follows:

 - Saturday 5th September 2009
 - Saturday 5th December 2009
 - Saturday 6th March 2010
 - Saturday 5th June 2010
 - Saturday 5th September 2010

Also to agree Councillor(s) for each session
- 6. CHRISTMAS TREE ARRANGEMENTS 2009 (NOTE)**

The offer of a Christmas tree for the Square 2009 has been received from a resident of the town.

8. GROUNDSMAN/HANDYMAN (NOTE)

A report by the Town Clerk to note current position

9. BEAMINSTER COMMUNITY CENTRE PARTNERSHIP (NOTE)

To note that the start date has been delayed due to Health and Safety Regulations. However, the contractor has moved on site and work has started on removing the asbestos and demolition will then commence.

10. LITTER BINS (DECISION)

Litter bins in and around the Square have been identified as not fit since they are falling to bits and not holding in the rubbish. These can be replaced by standard bins, at no cost to the Town Council, or the Town Council can opt for more visually attractive litter bins but the cost of these would need to be met by the Town Council. A detailed report will be circulated at the meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE (INFORMATION)

To note details of significant items of correspondence received since the last meeting

- **West Dorset District Council – Proposed Standards Event**
The District Council propose to hold a standards event later in the year, with the intention to extend an invitation to all Parish & Town Councillors, Parish & Town Clerks and all District Councillors in order that colleagues can meet, discuss and share experiences and meet members of the Standards Committee. A draft invitation had been sent in order to gauge the level of support.

12. PROGRESS REPORTS (INFORMATION)

- **Beaminster Library – volunteers**
Details of training sessions have been advised by Dorset County Council, three sessions will take place in September and it is hoped to commence public sessions as soon as possible after that. There will be two sessions each week staffed by volunteers, at the following times:
Tuesday 9.30 – 12.00
Friday 9.30 – 12.00
- **Cemetery/Closed Churchyard – ground maintenance**
A groundsman, working for an agency, has been engaged to undertake ground clearance work in the closed churchyard at the front of Trefoil House pending a replacement Council groundsperson, for which interviews have taken place.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

To highlight items for the August agenda.