



Dear Councillor

22 January 2021

You are summoned to join a virtual Extraordinary Meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL** via video link on **FRIDAY 29 JANUARY 2021 at 11.00 am**.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Laurence Hart'.

Town Clerk

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public are invited to submit questions to the Council in writing by **9.30 am on the day before this meeting** is due to be held (i.e. Thursday, 28 January 2021) using the following email address: office@wimborne.gov.uk or by delivering a hard copy of the question to the Town Hall, West Borough.

AGENDA

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2 CONSULTATION ON THE DORSET COUNCIL DRAFT LOCAL PLAN**
To consider the report of the Town Clerk/Assistant Town Clerk (copy herewith).
- 3 DORSET COUNCIL – FREE PARKING ALLOCATION**
To consider an email dated 19 January 2021 from the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and Environment of Dorset Council (copy herewith).
- 4 PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER – ALCOHOL RESTRICTIONS**
To receive an email dated 19 January 2021 from the Community Safety Team Leader of Dorset Council (copy herewith).

LOCALISM ACT 2011 and CODE of CONDUCT

Members are reminded to comply with those elements of the Localism Act and the Town Council's Code of Conduct in respect of disclosable pecuniary interests.

GENERAL CONDUCT

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, Human Rights and Data Protection (General Data Protection Regulation).

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Members of the public and press will be allowed to listen *and watch* the meeting in audio mode only using Zoom. To avoid disruption the public and press will not be displayed on video or be able to be heard by the meeting. **Please choose one of the following options to observe and / or listen to the meeting from 11.00 am:**

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2. Click to 'Join a Meeting'
3. When prompted, insert Meeting ID and Password as below:
Meeting ID: 976 2534 8879
Password: 267701

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Any questions which members of the public wish to put to the Council or Committees must be in writing and received by 9.30 am on the preceding working day before the meeting using the following email address: office@wimborne.gov.uk. Alternatively, a written question can be delivered to the Town Hall by 9.30 am on the preceding working day before the meeting. Every effort will be made to answer the question at the meeting but there may be a need to obtain information from other sources and in those circumstances a written response will be provided at a subsequent time.

Wimborne Minster Town Council

Extraordinary Meeting

Subject: Item 2 – Consultation on the Draft Dorset Council Local Plan
Date: 29 January 2021
Author: Town Clerk/Assistant Town Clerk

1. Overview

Dorset Council commenced the period of consultation for the draft Local Plan on Monday 18 January 2021. The consultation will run for 8 weeks and close on Monday 15 March 2021.

Dorset Council's planning policies are set out in the draft Local Plan and it is the legal starting point in determining planning applications.

The draft Local Plan contains proposals for guiding future development in the Dorset Council area up to 2038.

Further information can be found on the Dorset Council website or by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning-policy/dorset-council-local-plan.aspx>

Paper copies of the consultation document are available locally in the Wimborne Library.

2. Drafting a response from the Town Council to the Consultation

It has been suggested that a Task and Finish Group is established with those Councillors who would like to be involved in drafting a response on behalf of the Town Council. Some Councillors have already been working on the proposal in the draft Local Plan to allocate land for building in the Green Belt between Colehill and Wimborne.

Membership of the Task and Finish Group needs to be determined. Unless this Committee wishes to appoint a Chairman of the Tsk and Finish Group, the Group can decide this at its first meeting. Virtual meetings could be held to facilitate initial discussion and to start drafting a summary of comments on the consultation document.

Officer support will be available to coordinate the meetings and to help finalise the Town Council's response.

3. Planning Surgeries for Town and Parish Councils

As part of the consultation exercise, Dorset Council is hosting a series of virtual planning surgeries for Town and Parish Councils to attend in small groups via Microsoft Teams to discuss any queries with the Planning Officers. Dorset Council has advised that limited spaces are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday from 10am until 2pm.

The Town Council has provisionally booked a 1-hour session on Wednesday 10 February, time TBA.

It is suggested that the members of the Task and Finish Group attend this surgery, to speak with the Planning Officers and gather further information to help draft a response to the consultation for submission to the Town Council.

4. Timeframes

It is also suggested that the Task and Finish Group drafts a response to the consultation by Wednesday 3rd March 2021 which can then be considered at an Extraordinary meeting of the Town Council on Friday 12 March 2021.

The Committee is asked for its decision on the matters contained within this report.

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Subject: Item 3 – Dorset Council – Free Parking Allocation
Date: 29 January 2021

From: Elizabeth Murray <elizabeth.murray@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk>

Sent: 19 January 2021 08:56

Subject: Dorset Council Free Parking Policy

Dear Town and Parish Councils,

You may recall that prior to Christmas we wrote to you about our planned changes for our Free Parking Policy. It is Dorset Council's intention to standardise and set a clear framework for Town and Parish Councils when applying for 'free' parking days'. Historically these have been used differently in each local area, leading to ongoing perceptions of inequity, and difficulty for officers in trying to make consistent and fair decisions across the county.

The new policy:

To support local economy, Dorset Council will give a total of **six free parking days** in Dorset Council car parks. This is made up of the following:

- At the request of the Town or Parish Council free parking in all Dorset Council car parks for **four** days each year, for events which generate valuable footfall for that town. These four days cannot be used in December
- At the request of the Town or Parish Council free parking in all Dorset Council Town Centre car parks for that town on **one** weekday in December
- Free parking in all Dorset Council Town Centre car parks on **Small Business Saturday** in December

No other days in December will be considered unless the Town Council, Local BID or other organisation(s) are willing to meet the cost of the lost income at an amount to be calculated by the Council's parking team based on average weekend costs for that time of year.

We would like to implement this policy as soon as possible so that you can start planning your free parking days for 2021. Please could you send any queries or comments regarding the new policy to elizabeth.murray@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk by **19th February 2021**.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Bryan
Portfolio holder for Highways, Travel and Environment

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Subject: Item 4 – Public Spaces Protection Order – Alcohol
Restrictions
Date: 29 January 2021

From: Ian Cooke <ian.cooke@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: 19 January 2021 11:58
To: Wimborne Minster Town Council <office@wimborne.gov.uk>
Cc: Karen Graham <karen.graham@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk>;
simon.perry@dorset.pnn.police.uk

Dear Mr Hewitt,

I am writing following a review of all anti-social behaviour (ASB) related Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO) within the Dorset Council area. As part of the review I am contacting relevant Town Councils, Town Councillors and Dorset Councillors to ask for their views.

We currently have active PSPOs in Weymouth, Portland, Lyme Regis, Bridport, West Bay and Dorchester. All expire this year and are currently under review.

These PSPOs can be viewed at:

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/your-community/community-safety/anti-social-behaviour/pspos/weymouth-public-space-protection-order-pspo-2017.aspx>

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/your-community/community-safety/anti-social-behaviour/anti-social-behaviour-in-the-west-dorset-area.aspx>

The Wimborne PSPO expired on the 20th October 2020 and concerned alcohol related ASB.

As a result any signage advertising this Order or its predecessor the Designated Public Place Order, or any reference to alcohol restrictions need to be removed.

Dorset Police cannot provide Dorset Council with sufficient evidence of ASB that would enable us to replace the Order with a new one. Without substantial evidence of persistent ASB we cannot legally put an application to our Councillors for approval. This is actually positive news that the quality of life for Wimborne's residents, businesses and visitors has improved and is a testament to the sound partnership working in the area.

If there is an increase in ASB or alcohol related ASB that is persistent and harmful, and that Dorset Police can evidence we can revisit the need for a PSPO in the future.

I will be sending a similar email to the relevant Dorset Councillors for the Wimborne area and to the Town Councillors.

If you have any comments I would be glad to hear from you.

Regards

Ian

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