



BARNSTAPLE TOWN COUNCIL

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A Pre-meeting for Chairman of Committees will be held at 6.30pm in the Mayor's Parlour.

Prayers will be held at 6.55pm in the Council Chamber for anyone wishing to attend.

There will be a meeting of **BARNSTAPLE TOWN COUNCIL** on **MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2017** at **7.00pm** in the **Guildhall, Butchers Row, Barnstaple**, to which you are summoned for the transaction of the undermentioned business.

There will be a period for questions by the public at a time to be determined by the Chairman. Anyone wishing to ask questions is requested to notify the Town Clerk by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

Recording, photographs and filming

In accordance with the Council's Protocol for the Recording or Reporting of Council and Committee Meetings, the press or public may audio-record, photograph or film meetings, or report from the meeting using social media. As such, members of the public may be recorded or photographed during the meeting. Anyone wishing to record or photograph the meeting must notify the Town Clerk before the commencement of the meeting.

Will Austin, Town Clerk
21st February 2017

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
All apologies should be notified to the Town Council offices by 5pm on the day of the meeting.
- 2. To receive any Dispensations and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.**
- 3. Minutes.**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 23rd January 2017.

4. Mayor's Announcements.

To receive a verbal report from the Mayor.

5. Healthcare in North Devon

To receive a presentation from the Save Our Hospital Services Devon campaign group.

6. Motion from Councillor I Williams

To consider the following motion from Councillor Williams:

This Council is alarmed at the latest vision for Barnstaple Town Centre. This vision reflects a lack of elected representatives from Barnstaple being consulted on the future of the town together with other stakeholders. In this particular instance it is exemplified by:

1. The suggestion that Barnstaple can sustain two large multiplex type cinemas flawed. The loss of the town centre cinema with its 220,000 visits would severely impact on the footfall and business to the town centre.
2. Establishing the package of alternative Seven Brethren attractions across the river will further decimate the viability of the town centre.
3. The Strand initiative has faltered with no incentives for existing freeholders or new businesses to effect the desired change to fit the proposed vision.
4. The lack of an out of town parking strategy for the South Molton, Bideford and Braunton/Ilfracombe approaches reflects a lack of understanding of the needs of the town.
5. The lack of awareness and impact of attractions on the Seven Brethren site upon the Halford's roundabout to New Bridge roundabout given the current traffic difficulties.
6. Within the Town Centre there are many opportunities for development as witnessed by previous North Devon District Council 'Vision', not least of which is an appropriate use for the Civic Centre Site.

We need considered long term proposals for the Barnstaple offer that co-ordinate a balanced retail/attraction package together with an appropriate traffic assessment solution. This will require a meaningful consultation and partnership vehicle to effect the change for the benefit of businesses and the public alike.

7. To receive reports (if any) from Devon & Cornwall Constabulary.

8. To receive reports (if any) from Devon County and North Devon District Councillors.

9. To receive reports (if any) from Town Council representatives to outside bodies.

10. To receive and adopt the minutes of committees and the resolutions contained therein:

Staff Committee	26 Jan 2017
Heritage, Culture and Community Committee	26 Jan 2017
Planning & Transportation Committee	2 Feb 2017
Planning & Transportation Committee	9 Feb 2017
Finance & General Purposes Committee	13 Feb 2017
Finance & General Purposes Committee (Annual Grants Meeting)	19 Jan 2017

9. Standing Orders.

To review the Council's Standing Orders and agree any changes required.

10. To consider any questions asked by:

- a) Members of the Council (SO.26); and/or
- b) Public Registered Electors in the Town (SO.83).