



KEIGHLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Mr. Joe Cooney
Town Clerk
19 November 2020

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YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING of the **Town Council** which will be held in remotely via the Zoom platform on following link, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88167608052> on **Thursday 26 November 2020 at 6:30pm**. The meeting can also be accessed via the following number **+44203 4815237** and **Meeting ID: 881 6760 8052**

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Cllr P. Corkindale (Mayor)	Cllr S. Cooper	Cllr M. Nazam
Cllr J. Adams (Deputy Mayor)	Cllr M. Curtis	Cllr M. Shaw
Cllr C. Abberton	Cllr M. Dowse	Cllr A. Shohid
Cllr A. Ahmed	Cllr C. Graham	Cllr P. Shaw
Cllr J. Akhtar	Cllr C. Herd	Cllr A. Walker
Cllr N. Ali	Cllr J. Kirby	Cllr M. Walker
Cllr M. Anayat	Cllr C. A. Mahmood	Cllr M. Westerman
Cllr E. Bernardini	Cllr S. Mahmood	Cllr L. Wrench
Cllr C. Chapman	Cllr L. Maunsell	Cllr S. Zubair
Cllr J. Clarkson		

ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Notice is given that at a time agreed by the meeting, 15 minutes may be set aside for members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting:

- Members of the public wishing to speak are to have given three working days' notice to the Town Clerk; this may be waived at the Clerk's discretion.
- Any member of the public shall not speak for more than five minutes.
- In the event of more than three members of the public wishing to address the Council then priority will be determined by the Town Clerk, based on subject matter.
- A question asked by a Member of the Public during Public Participation shall not require a response or debate during the meeting though the Chairman may direct that a written response will be provided subsequent to the meeting.

Recording at Council Meetings is allowed at Council, committee and sub-committee meetings which are open to the public, subject to:- (i) the recording being conducted with the full knowledge of the Chairman of the meeting; and (ii) compliance with the Town Council's Recording of Meetings Policy. Anyone wishing to record must contact the Town Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. Any recording must be conducted openly and not in secret.

AGENDA

1. Outline of arrangements for remote meeting

2. Apologies for absence

3. Declarations of Interest.

To receive declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

Members are reminded that should you declare a pecuniary interest at a meeting, it is your responsibility to inform the Monitoring Officer.

- i) Declarations of Interest from Members
- ii) Declarations of Interest from Officers

4. Public Question Time and Participation

Members of the public are advised that they are welcome to ask questions about items on the Agenda. It is not always possible to give a verbal response at the meeting and questions may receive a written reply. No resolution can be made under this item.

5. Town Mayor – For Noting

- i) To receive the Town Mayor's opening remarks
- ii) To receive details of all the invitations that the Mayor has accepted since last Council meeting.

6. Minutes – For Decision

To approve the draft minutes of the Keighley Town Council meeting held on Thursday 24 September 2020.

7. Reports from District Councillors and Invited Guests – For Noting

- 7.1 To receive reports from District Councillors
- 7.2 To receive reports from other invited guests

8. Committee Minutes – For Decision

To receive the minutes of the meetings of the following committees:

1. Human Resources	15 September 2020
2. Watch & Transport	7 September 2020
3. Policy & Governance	1 September 2020
4. Policy & Governance	6 October 2020
5. Community Development	7 October 2020
6. Planning	8 September 2020
7. Planning	22 September 2020

8. Planning	13 October 2020
9. Planning	27 October 2020
10. Finance and Audit	17 August 2020
11. Finance and Audit	21 September 2020
12. Finance and Audit	19 October 2020
13. Allotments and Landscapes	10 August 2020
14. Events and Leisure	13 August 2020
15. Events and Leisure	8 October 2020
16. Events and Leisure	22 October 2020
17. Civic Centre and Strategy	9 September 2020

9. School Uniform Equality Scheme – For Noting

To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk regarding the implementation of the School Uniform Scheme.

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10. Yorkshire Day 2022 – For Decision

To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk regarding Yorkshire Day 2022.

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11. General Power of Competence – For Decision

To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk regarding the General Power of Competence outlined in the Localism Act 2011.

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12. Consultation on Standards in Public Life – For Decision

To consider the draft response to the consultation on standards in public life.

13. Black Lives Matter Action Plan – For Decision

To consider the attached report from the Project Worker regarding the Black Lives Matter movement.

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14. Report from Outside Bodies – For noting

To receive reports from the Council representatives on outside bodies

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15. Notices of Motion – For Decision

Holiday Hunger

There is enough food in the world for everyone. (The journal of sustainable agriculture found we already produce enough to feed 1.5x the world's population, this is backed by the WHO and the UN)

Despite the global pandemic and economic crisis that comes with it, we are one of the wealthiest countries on earth. Yet in Britain in 2020 1/5 of children (food foundation research) were found to be going hungry during lockdown due to falling through gaps in our support system. Who can forget the heart breaking recent news of young mothers starving to death or taking their own lives, unable to feed their children, stuck in one of those gaps.

We are a small council, we can't tackle the problems of a nation, but we should consider what we might do to tackle child hunger right here in Keighley.

We live in a constituency with some of the highest levels of inequality in the country, and Keighley is the area of most need in that constituency. We are in a position to be able to support some of the most vulnerable children nationally, to do a tremendous amount of good.

During lockdown Keighley's schools, paid for the supermarket vouchers to go out to vulnerable families, on the understanding that they would be reimbursed by the government. The reimbursement didn't happen. Schools continued to divert funds to keep our children fed and warm and able to learn, knowing that they wouldn't be able to claim them back and knowing that this would mean hardship for themselves, their staffing and resources later in the year. This silent support is something we should want to praise, to champion and to emulate.

We all know how Covid has left scars in our community, you all know and understand how lockdown, many being unable to work and not qualifying for furlough, and reduced footfall in the service industry has left so many struggling financially. It has also meant that some of the budget within our committees has gone unused.

I know it would be unprecedented to divert these funds but these are unprecedented times. Before us a unique opportunity to lift up Keighley's children and protect them, helping to safeguard their future so that they can build a better one for themselves.

In the words of Lord Woolton the wartime minister of food "If every man, woman and child could be sure of obtaining at least one hot, nourishing meal a day at a price all could afford we should be sure of the nation's health and strength during the war."

Let's be bold and be brave in our convictions and seize this opportunity to strengthen Keighley in her time of need now.

Council therefore resolves to:

- consider any way in which we could redirect or repurpose funds to help push back against the chill of the Christmas holidays as an emergency measure.
- to petition Bradford council and the Government to create a long-term solution to holiday hunger.

16. Any items for discussion for future agenda

Members are asked to notify the Town Clerk of any matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

17. Date of next meeting

The next Town Council meeting will be held on Thursday 28 January 2020.