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## **COUNCILLORS ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL**

**to be held on**

**TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2013 AT 7.30 PM**

**THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL  
HENLEY-ON-THAMES**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Kennedy".

Mr M Kennedy  
Town Clerk  
16 October 2013

Mayor, Councillor S J Gawrysiak  
Deputy Mayor, M S Akehurst  
Councillor Mrs J Bland  
Councillor D Clenshaw  
Councillor Miss S Evans  
Councillor W Hamilton  
Councillor Miss L M Hillier  
Councillor D Hinke  
Councillor Miss K L Hinton  
Councillor Mrs E Hodgkin  
Councillor Ms L A Meachin  
Councillor D R Nimmo-Smith  
Councillor Mrs P A Phillips  
Councillor I Reissmann  
Councillor D M Silvester  
Councillor Mrs J Wood

District Councillor W Hall

Members are reminded to sign the attendance book.

## **AGENDA**

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**TO RECEIVE** apologies for absence. Apologies for absence have been received from Councillors Ms L A Meachin, Mrs P A Phillips and I Reissmann.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**TO RECEIVE** any declarations of interest.

*Members are hereby reminded that, under the provisions of sections 26-34 and Schedule 4 of the Localism Act 2011, a member with a disclosable pecuniary interest of which they are aware in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent. A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any matter must withdraw from the room or chamber where a meeting is being held whenever it becomes apparent that the matter is being considered at that meeting, unless he/she has obtained a dispensation from the council; and not seek improperly to influence a decision about that matter.*

### **3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Public Participation - a period of up to but no longer than 20 minutes to receive questions and opinions from members of the public on any matter which affects the town.

**NB: attention is drawn to the Council's Code of Practice relevant to Public Participation (a copy is attached to the agenda).**

### **4. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS**

**TO EXCLUDE** the public and the press from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as matters which will be discussed are considered to be confidential.

### **5. CONFIDENTIAL**

**TO CONSIDER** the Council's position as Landowners of potential housing development sites in the Joint Henley and Harpsden Neighbourhood Plan process.

## **Henley-on-Thames Town Council**

### **Public Participation Scheme**

The Council will set aside a period at the commencement of each meeting when members of the public can ask questions or make statements. The following rules shall apply:

1. This scheme applies to meetings of the Full Council, the Planning Committee, Finance, Strategy and Management Committee, Recreation and Amenities Committee and Town and Community Committee and any other committee or sub-committee of the Council.
2. There will be a Public Participation Session at the start of every meeting to which this scheme applies. At Full Council, members of the public, including Councillors who may have a personal and prejudicial interest on any item included on the agenda, may ask questions or make a statement on any matter which affects the town. The session will last for a period of up to 20 minutes (but capable of being extended at the Chairman's discretion).
3. Members of the public may ask questions or make a statement on any item included on the agenda. The session, which is also open to Councillors who may have a personal and prejudicial interest on any item included on the agenda.
4. Questions from the town's residents will take priority, followed by property owners, businesses and then non-residents.
5. All speeches shall last for no more than 2 to 3 minutes.
6. If there are no statements or questions, or if all statements have been made or questions asked before the period of time allotted, the meeting will start to consider the remainder of its business. No further public questions or statements will be entertained at that meeting.
7. If an answer to a question cannot be given at the meeting the Chairman may, at his/her discretion, arrange for a written answer to be given.
8. The Chairman of the meeting will have complete discretion as to the order in which questions are taken and statements made. Supplementary questions may be asked at the Chairman's discretion.
9. The Chairman of the meeting may rule that any public remarks are not appropriate and will not be accepted; for example if they are defamatory, frivolous or offensive. In such an instance the Chairman may disallow a question or statement or cut short a statement or discussion, or disqualify any member of the public from continuing to speak.
10. Questions which require the disclosure of exempt or confidential information will not be answered.
11. The Chairman of the meeting's interpretation of this procedure shall not be questioned and his/her ruling on any questions relating to this procedure shall be final.