



**Members of Verwood Town Council are summoned to attend a Meeting of the VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL, which will be held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at the Town Council Offices, 28 Vicarage Rd, Verwood BH31 6DR at 7.30p.m.**

Apologies for absence should be given to the Town Clerk/Mayor prior to the Meeting.

**Carrie Lloyd  
Town Clerk  
19<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

### **AGENDA**

1. To receive Declarations of Interest and receive and approve apologies for absence.
2. Public Questions: In accordance with Standing Order No. 1(e) – 1(l) a period not exceeding fifteen minutes is set aside for Members of the Public to make representations, answer questions or give evidence at a meeting not exceeding 3 minutes per person. No response nor debate is required on the night.
3. To receive the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (attached or available from [carrie@verwood.gov.uk](mailto:carrie@verwood.gov.uk)).
4. To note updates on actions arising from previous meetings (attached or available from [carrie@verwood.gov.uk](mailto:carrie@verwood.gov.uk)) attached
5. Policing – report to follow
6. Recommendations from Committees – To follow (if any)
7. To receive a report from the Mayor & Deputy Mayor
8. To receive the reports of representatives on other bodies
  - (i) Verwood Memorial Trust – Cllr Crossley
  - (ii) Bournemouth International Airport – Cllr Biggs
9. To receive a report from the Youth Worker – attached together with Garden Project update
10. To receive a report from the Internet Councillor
11. To receive a report regarding Press and P.R.
12. To receive reports of the Dorset Councillors
13. To approve payments for July and August 2023 (attached separately for Councillors & available from the Town Clerk – [carrie@verwood.gov.uk](mailto:carrie@verwood.gov.uk))
14. Making headstones safe – to follow
15. To agree closing the Council's Scottish Widows Account (1.35%) Lloyds Bank 32 day Accounts (2.45%) & moving the funds to CCLA (4.88%). CCLA operate on a portfolio basis so the Council would not be investing all of the funds into one bank account. Later in the year, CCLA will be opening up another investment account and members will have the option to consider longer term investment to that or diversifying into other AAA+ rated savings accounts should they so wish. The Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) protects £85,000 in each bank account if a Local Authority has a budget of less than £430,065 (July 23 exchange rate). Members will be aware that the 2023/24 Budget was £383,600, as such Members should be aware that this Council is coming near to the

threshold and may no longer receive compensation in future years. The CCLA model will continue to protect Council funds even if the Council falls outside of the FSCS.

16. Medicinal Packaging Recycling – Verwoodian’s on Waste most popular recycled item each month was their medicinal packaging recycling. Unfortunately this can no longer be collected. This Council has the opportunity to consider paying £110 per box to continue to have this facility in Verwood - [Medicinal Packaging Recycling Box - Refactory Plastic Waste Recycling \(myrefactory.com\)](#) The box would be available in the Town Council Reception.
17. Conveyancing – This Council requires the services of a conveyancing solicitor. Hourly rates have been requested from local Solicitors as below;  
HG Walker – £1,000  
Threthrowens – £3,500 - £5,000 for the conveyancing work in total  
Letchers – declined to quote  
MJP Law - £250 per hour
18. Dorset Council Housing Strategy – To respond to the Survey - [Housing Strategy - Dorset Council - Citizen Space](#)
19. Village Green Status v Field in Trust – Three Legged Cross Recreation Ground - attached
20. Items of report and matters for future agenda.