

**WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

Date: Monday 14th September 2015 **Time:** 7.00 p.m. **Venue:** New Chamber,
Town Hall

Members are hereby summoned to this meeting and reminded that they have a duty to state a Declaration of Interest prior to the appropriate agenda item and to consider the Crime and Disorder Act s.17 and Equality Act 2010 s.149 when reaching a decision.

Prior to the Town Council meeting the Town Mayor invites those who so wish to join him in optional prayers.

The Town Mayor will invite questions and observations from parishioners present (maximum time permitted 15 minutes).

1. **To receive Apologies for Absence**
2. **To receive Declarations of Interest**
3. **To approve the accuracy of the Minutes on the 6th July 2015** (attached)
4. **To receive announcements and communications from the Town Mayor**
5. **Policing in Weston-super-Mare**
Presentation by and discussion with Chief Inspector Tina Robinson
6. **Town Council Strategy 2016-2020**
To receive the report of the Town Clerk (attached)
7. **Museum Project**
To receive the report of the Responsible Financial Officer (To follow)
8. **Sunday Trading**
To receive the report of the Town Clerk (attached)
9. **Motion to Council under Standing Order 11 – Winter Gardens**

“That while we recognise the excellent work of Weston College for the town and do not object to the transfer of the Winter Gardens to the College, the Town Council has a legal power to nominate assets of community value to give them statutory protection and has done so in respect of the towns three main parks. We consider the Winter Gardens is a valuable asset to the town community that falls squarely within the definition.

It has long been and is still used for many community events such as the Food Festival, dances, antiques fairs and of course the Mayor’s Ball. In view of its imminent transfer to the College this matter is becoming urgent and accordingly we PROPOSE that the Winter Gardens be nominated for registration as a Community Asset as soon as possible under the Localism Act 2011.”

10. Motion to Council under Standing Order 11 – Dolphin Square

This council notes the ongoing failure to deliver the promised development at the Dolphin Square site, and has been particularly disappointed in:

- The hasty emptying and demolition of the site before the scheme had been finalised and was ready to proceed;
- The unattractive appearance of the now derelict site;
- The resultant economic problems suffered by the businesses in the immediate area, especially in Oxford Street, St. James' Street and the southern part of High Street, as well as by the wider town centre, and the effects on the sea-front tourism industry;
- North Somerset Council's laissez-faire attitude to whether any development takes place, and its failure to encourage or enforce the developer to commence construction

We therefore call on North Somerset Council to:

- (i) note these significant concerns of Weston-super-Mare Town Council and the residents of the town; and
- (ii) take a more pro-active stance, make appropriate financial commitments to the scheme and incentives for operators to enable the development as required, and use its legal enforcement powers as a final resort if necessary, to secure a speedy outcome to the development of the Dolphin Square site.

The Town Council further resolves to offer to work with North Somerset Council and the developers of the site and provide any reasonable assistance to help resolve the problems which are preventing the development.”

Malcolm L Nicholson LL.B DMS AILCM
Town Clerk
7th September 2015

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