

LUDLOW TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

To: All Members of the Council, Unitary Councillors, Press Contact: Gina Wilding Ludlow Town Council, The Guildhall, Mill Street, Ludlow, SY8 1AZ 01584 871970 townclerk@ludlow.gov.uk Despatch date: 1st December 2021

POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

You are invited to attend a virtual meeting of the Policy & Finance Committee to be held on Monday 6th December 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87546192772

Meeting ID: 875 4619 2772

Gina Wilding

Gina Wilding Town Clerk

Key Agenda Items:

- Interim Internal Audit Information
- Aged Debtors Report

The public may speak at this meeting

In Public Open Session (15 minutes) – Members of the public are invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern.



1. Welcome - To receive a welcome from Chairman of Policy and Finance Committee, Councillor Philip Adams.

Welcome to a virtual meeting for the consideration of this agenda by the members of Policy & Finance Committee.

Ludlow Town Council is proud of its strong governance procedures, and it is disappointed by the government's recent decision to withdraw the ability for the Council to hold decision making meetings virtually. The Council feels that at this time it is not safe to hold frequent and long in-person meetings.

In the interests of transparency, I will explain our temporary process.

The Council has decided to retain all the elements of good governance including publically accessible meetings, and Councillor debate resulting in majority agreement. The majority agreement will be recorded and published as a recommendation for the Town Clerk to action under emergency delegated authority.

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak during the public open session at the beginning of the agenda, but will not be permitted, unless invited to do so by the Chairman, to speak at other times.

The Clerk has the ability to mute or remove anyone who causes a nuisance, but of course, we hope that this won't be necessary.

It is impossible to hear if everyone speaks at once. So that we have some order, I'd be grateful if you could raise your hand if you'd like to speak, and speak one at a time.

Please note that the 'chat' function will not be available during this meeting. As there is no formal table, I will introduce the Councillors present and ask that they say hello or wave as I do so.'

2. **Recording of Meetings** – Under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014, recording and broadcast including blogging, tweeting and other social media is permitted during public session of Council meetings. The act of recording and broadcasting must not interfere with the meeting.

The Council understands that some members of the public may not wish to be recorded and asks that they make this known immediately.

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- **3. Apologies -** To note apologies received from members of the Committee.
- **4. Declarations of Interests -** To receive the declarations of interests from Members of the Committee.
 - a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest
 - b) Declaration of conflicts of Interest
 - c) Declarations of personal interest

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

- 5. Public Open Session (15 minutes) Members of the public are invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern.
- 6. Ludlow's Unitary Councillors Question and Answer Session Ludlow's Unitary Councillors are invited to address any questions to the Committee.

7. Minutes and Delegated Decisions

To note that the minutes of 15th February will be approved to be signed as a correct record by the Chairman at the next legally constituted Committee. To note that the actions and decisions taken under delegated authority on 14th June, 26th July, 13th September, 25th October 2021 are ratified by Council.

8. Items to Action – The items to action from the Policy & Finance Committee held on the 25th October 2021 are attached to this agenda.

	ITEM	Attachment
9.	FINANCE INFORMATION	
	To receive:-	
a)	Cash Book – Payments and Income for October 2021	9a
b)	Reconciliation for October 2021	9b
C)	Barclaycard Statements for September 2021	9c
d)	PayPal – Payments, Income & Reconciliation for October 2021	9d
e)	Petty Cash – Payment, Income & Reconciliation for October 2021	9e
f)	Public Sector Deposit Fund – Payment, Income & Reconciliation for October 2021	9f
g)	Mayor's Charity Account - Payment, Income & Reconciliation for May to September 2021	9g
10.	AGED DEBTORS REPORT	
	To consider a report and recommendations on outstanding debtors.	10



11. a) b)	INTERIM INTERNAL AUDIT To note the internal auditors report prior to approval by Council. To note the cover letter and schedules, detailed and summary, which set out the areas tested as part of the audit.	11a 11b		
Membership				
Members of the Policy & Finance Committee				
Councillors Adams (Chair); Boddington; Garner; Gill; Ginger; Lyle, O'Neill; Parry; Perks; and Pote.				
Notes				
The next Policy & Finance Committee meeting will be held on the 17 th January 2022				