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ALL MEETINGS OF YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

To all members of Yeovil Town Council

Councillors,

There will be a meeting of the **Yeovil Town Council** to which you are summoned on **Tuesday 6th October 2015** in the Council Chamber of The Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ starting at **7.30pm**. The meeting will consider the items set out below.

John Furze Fellow ILCM
Locum Town Clerk

Before and after the meeting there will be a public session to enable the people of Yeovil to ask questions of, and make comments, regarding the Town Council. Questions not answered at this meeting will be answered in writing to the person asking the question, or may appear as an agenda item for the next meeting. Members of the Public are asked to restrict their comments, and/or questions to three minutes. YTC Standing Order#8

AGENDA

9/44 Apologies for absence and to consider the reasons given. Council to receive apologies for absence and consider the reasons given. [LGA 1972 s85\(1\)](#)

9/45 Declarations of interest. Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e). *(NB this does not preclude any later declarations).*

9/46 Minutes of the last Meeting. To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st September 2015. [LGA 1972 Sch12 para41\(a\)](#)

9/47 Exclusion of the Press and Public To agree any items to be dealt with after the Press and Public have been excluded. [Public Bodies \(Admission to Meetings\) Act 1960 S1\(2\)](#)

9/48 Notification of the Conclusion of the Audit by External Auditors (Grant Thornton) of the Annual return submitted for the year ending 31st March 2015. Members to review the report and comments of the External Auditor. [Account & Audit Regulations 2015 s16\(2\)a](#)

9/49 Review of Financial Regulations (FIN REGS). Members to review the existing Financial Regulations with a view to adopting new FIN REGS (Copy Attached) [Account & Audit Regulations 2015 s3, & s6\(1\)\(a\)](#)

9/50 Finance Report for Year To Date (YTD) with the period June/July 2015. Members to review the Council's performance against its agreed budget for the Fiscal Year 2015/16 (Copy Attached). [Account & Audit Regulations 2015 s4\(2\) & \(3\)\(a\)](#)

9/51 Mayor's Items of Note – The Mayor of Yeovil, Cllr M Lock will present any items of note for member's interest. (Extract of Mayor's Diary attached at Page 3)

9/52 Report of Recommendations & Resolutions from Council's Committees

The Minutes of all of the following committee meetings are open for discussion but must be considered as 'draft' until signed by the Committee Chairman at the next meeting

Grounds & General Maintenance Committee – 14th September 2015

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr M Roper

Promotions & Activities Committee – 15th September 2015

Presented by Committee Vice-Chairman, Cllr W Read

Planning & Licensing Committee – 21st September 2015

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr P Lock

Buildings & Civic Matters – 22nd September 2015

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr R Stickland

Policy, Resources & Finance Committee – 29th September 2015

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr T Lock

9/53 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies. Members who represent the Town Council on Outside Bodies may wish to take the opportunity to report on any matter of interest.

Yeovil Twinning Association – meeting 10th August 2015

Yeovil in Bloom Committee – 2015 – Gold Award

After this item the Council will suspend its Standing Orders to allow members of the Public and Press to ask questions of or make statements to the Council. This period will last, at the Chairman's discretion for up to 15 (fifteen) minutes. Members of the public and press are asked to restrict their comments to 3 (three) minutes maximum. At the conclusion of this session Standing Orders will be reinstated. YTC Standing Order#8

9/54 In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is likely that the press and public will be excluded during consideration of this item (Item 9/47 above refers) – Staff in Confidence.

Council to ratify decision of Policy, Resource & Finance Committee to extend the engagement of the Locum Town Clerk until 29th January 2016 on the existing terms of engagement. LGA 1972 s112(1)

9/55 In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is likely that the press and public will be excluded during consideration of this item (Item 9/47 above refers) – Commercial in Confidence.

Local Town Clerk to seek ratification of decision taken at Policy, Resources & Finance Committee on Tuesday 29th September 2015 authorising him to progress the disposal of the Goldcroft Allotments Site to conclusion, subject to Council's final approval. LGA 1972 s101(1)(a)

Mayor's Diary

Week Beginning: Monday 5th October 2015

DATE	EVENT (Location)	DETAIL
07 October 2015	St James Church	Premiere of Unchosen' s film against Slavery
09 October 2015	Yeovil Amateur Operatic Society	Production of Iolanthe
10 October 2015	Chard Town Council	Chard Carnival
11 October 2015	North Petherton Town Council	Civic Service

Week Beginning: Monday 12th October 2015

DATE	EVENT (Location)	DETAIL
12 October 2015	Yeovilton	Meeting – Ball
14 October 2015	Yeovil College	Meeting – Principal John Evans

YEOVIL TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Summary of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 10th August 2015

(Additional Meeting to Finalise Taunusstein Visit in September)

Present: The meeting was chaired by the Vice Chair with seven members and the YTC representative present.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.

Reports: The secretary had emailed Herblay confirming 2016 visit dates as May 5th to May 8th.

Incoming Taunusstein visit: September 24th - 29th September:

Arrangements were in hand to visit Bicton Gardens in Devon and then onward to Budleigh Salterton with a cruise and cream tea on the Exe with Stuart Line Cruises starting at Exmouth.

Suggested that Saturday would be with hosts and their guests would be encouraged to visit the Yeovil Farmers and Flower Market with the "Formal" Dinner taking place in the evening. Various venues for this had previously been explored and it had been decided that we would use Yeovil Golf Club with menu 1 from the examples provided being agreed.

The possibility of a fun competition using the practice range prior to the dinner was suggested and was thought to be a good idea and to be taken forward if possible. If the range could be used people could arrive around 7.00pm with dinner being organised at 7.30pm for 8.00pm.

It was recognised that we would need to invite the Mayor to the dinner and the Committee expressed their gratitude for his support at the previous Samarate dinner.

Sunday would also be with hosts with the possibility of a trip on Monday to the American Museum outside Bath. This was felt to be worthwhile and times etc. to be checked. There was the possibility of a skittle competition in the evening and the Red House on the Dorchester Road was to be approached to see if this would be possible.

Southwest Coaches had been provisionally booked for both the trips and for the collection and return to Heathrow of the Taunusstein visitors. Agreed that YTA pay for the collection and that the Taunusstein Twinning pay for the return journey because they wanted to visit somewhere on the way back.

It was confirmed that hosting arrangements were in place.

Incoming Herblay: 2016 - 5th May to 8th May

Dates for visit had been confirmed as May 5th to May 8th.

Socials/Fundraising:

The Coffee Morning at the Newman Hall in South Street had raised £69 with the Cream Tea event at the beginning of August raising £103. The Committee members felt that this was excellent and everyone who had contributed were thanked for their efforts. It was felt that a further Coffee morning should be considered and also possibly a further joint quiz with Thornford Twinning in the Autumn.

It was proposed to have a display in the Library window to promote the Association and members were to be asked for their help with photographs etc. It was felt that the previous posters should

be available and a banner was proposed and a further meeting at the beginning of October was to be arranged to finalise the display.

AOB:

There was a discussion on possible future meeting venues with the loss of the use of the Yeovil College Meeting Room. Potential to use the Red House and this was to be investigated. We had contacted the Park School re the Taunusstein visit as they had asked to be kept informed with a view to being involved but German was apparently not now on the school curriculum so they would not be involved at this time.

The Secretary was thanked for hosting the meeting

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

**The next meeting would be on
Tuesday 8th September 7.00 pm**

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