HUNGERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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To: Cllrs K Knight, H Simpson, R Hudson, A Fyfe, D Alford, C Winser, K Carlson, J Cole, H Armstrong, D Reeves, G Montgomery, S Coulthurst, J Keates.

All other councillors for information and to co-opted member J Willmott. Also, to District Councillors Dennis Benneyworth, Denise Gaines, Tony Vickers, and press.

You are summoned to a meeting of the **Highways and Transport** Committee to be held on **Monday 27**th **January 2025 at 7.00pm,** in the Library.

The meeting is open to the press and public. At 7.00 pm there will be a public forum to allow questions from the electors.

Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda, providing they do so within the 15 minutes allotted time period (limited to 3 minutes per speaker) given at the beginning of each meeting. Any questions should be submitted in advance by 2pm on the day of the meeting. Public will not be permitted to interrupt, question or participate at any other point during the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chair. Timings will be at the discretion of the Chair.

Claire Barnes Town Clerk

AGENDA

HT2025001. Apologies for absence

HT2025002. Declarations of interest

HT2025003. Agreement of minutes of meeting held on Monday 25th November 2024

HT2025004. Update on actions from previous meetings, not on this agenda - refer to report

HT2025005. Complaint concerning safety of Zebra Crossings - Charnham Street & Bridge Street. Refer

to email response from West Berks Council.

HT2025006. Receive any updates on SIDs, speeding and purchase of equipment - Cllr Hudson.

HT2025007. Propose support of the petition for a 30mph limit through Sanham Green and Hornhill

https://www.change.org/p/implement-a-30mph-speed-limit-in-sanham-green-hornhill

- HT2025008. Safety improvements at The Croft following our site meeting. NOTE: There is no update on the below Suggest defer item to March H&T. D Wilding from WBC advised his colleague is just revising two of the option drawings based on the TC's preference to retain all current on street parking. Once the design option drawings have been revised, these will be issued to an independent road safety auditor for their assessment and recommendations. Hopefully by early January 2025 (due to the Christmas period) we should have an indication of what scheme is potentially acceptable given the road safety auditors report findings.
- HT2025009. Consider changing to sack collections in High Street We are finding wheelie bins are left on the high street permanently where properties have nowhere to store them off street. WBC has advised a lot of high streets, including Thatcham, have sack collections instead of Wheelie bins. The benefits are keeping wheelie bins off the street and refuge is collected weekly instead of fortnightly. A year's supply of bins liners is provided based on 3 bags per collection. Clear sacks are provided for recycling fortnightly. Potential problems include contamination and sacks being put out early or missed collections. Also, they can't recycle glass.
- HT20250010. Consider support request for installation of an 'armco' to the canal bank Refer to email correspondence
- HT20250011. Consider reduction of streetlighting in Marsh Lane Cllr Keates to report.
- **HT20250012. Agree date of Christmas Light Switch on for 2025** Suggested dates are Sunday 23rd or Sunday 30th November 2025. The electrical contractors can arrange the installation by 23rd providing the Xmas trees arrive promptly within the first 3 days of November. (Note: There is an Antiques & Collectors Fair in the building on 30th November which finishes at approximately 5.00pm. Sunday, 23rd November is currently available).
- HT20250013. Agree the LCRS (Local Council Risk System) assessments for this committee refer to risk assessments.
- HT20250014. Consider obtaining quotes for CCTV for the top (south) end of the high street.
- HT20250015. Consider request from Bedwyn Trains Passenger Group for support and to write to our MP. Suggested text. 'Please can you support Bedwyn Trains Passenger Groups and Danny Kruger MP to ensure that any five-car IETs which, as a result of the introduction of the Class 175s on the GWR network, are returned to working out of Paddington are prioritised to reinstating the direct Paddington off-peak service for Bedwyn, Hungerford and Kintbury."
- HT20250016. Concern over effect on Hungerford of potential deprioritising of Marlborough
 Gridlocked traffic in Marlborough 'volatile' amid calls for change BBC News
- HT20250017. Note: EV chargers in Church Street are now all up and running.
- HT20250018. Any H&S issues of concern including;
 - Safety of high street footway due to cracked slabs.
 - Complaints from smarten up team
 - Accident blackspot on A338/Hungerford Newtown