



Crediton Town Council

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PUBLIC NOTICE

You are hereby invited to attend a meeting of Crediton Town Council's Policy & Forward Planning Committee, which will be held on **Tuesday, 2nd February 2016**, in the **Council Chamber**, Market Street, Crediton at **6.00 pm**, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public are welcome to attend.

Clare Dalley (Mrs)
Town Clerk

27th January 2016

Members of the press and public requiring access to any of the documents mentioned in this agenda are asked to contact the Town Clerk (electronic links to documents are provided where available).

AGENDA

1. **To receive and accept apologies** (Please make any apologies known to the Town Clerk)
2. **Declarations of Interest** – To receive declarations of personal interest and disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI's) in respect of items on this agenda.
3. **Order of Business** - At the discretion of the Chairman, to adjust, as necessary, the order of agenda items to accommodate visiting members, officers or members of the public.
4. **Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements** - To receive any announcements which the Chairman and Clerk may wish to make. For information only.
5. **Policy & Forward Planning Committee Minutes** – To approve and sign the minutes of the Policy & Forward Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th January 2016, as a correct record.
6. **Matters Arising** - At the direction of the Chairman, to report on matters arising from the minutes of the Policy & Forward Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th January 2016, for information only.

7. To receive an update on the road widening scheme at Marsh Lane and the Town Council's request for the installation of a safe crossing place between the junction of Hawkins Way and the Leisure Centre.
8. To receive an update on the proposed closure of MDDC's Crediton offices, the negotiations between the Town Council and the District Council and to consider and agree any further actions required.
9. To receive an update on the progress of the feasibility study being carried out by Devon Communities Together, regarding Crediton Town Council taking on the ownership and management of the Mid Devon District Council Market Street building, and to consider and agree any further actions required.
10. To consider the Town Council leasing, for a trial period, a versatile space within Crediton, possibly on the High Street, which could be used for commercial and community purposes and agree a course of action. (Further information will be issued with the agenda.)
11. To consider and discuss the impact the closure of high street banks is having on market towns and to consider the following:
 - Writing to Mel Stride MP asking him to support the campaign for the Government to debate the importance of towns across Britain retaining at least one bank branch so the business, residential and visitor communities can maintain the ability to carry out essential transactions.
 - For the Town Council to support the Last Bank Standing Campaign
 - To contact Natwest and Lloyds Bank in Crediton to stress the importance of retaining their branches within the Town.(Further information will be issued with the agenda.)
12. To discuss health and wellbeing within Crediton including:
 - the services Crediton Hospital provides in its transformation to a health and wellbeing hub
 - primary care integrationand agree any actions required. (Further information will be issued with the agenda.)
13. To discuss this Committee's aims and objectives for the next six years in order for them to be considered in the development of Crediton Town Council's Strategic Plan.
14. To receive an update on the progress of Crediton Neighbourhood Plan.
15. Close