

# EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL



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Dear Councillor

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Earley Town Council will be held on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023** commencing at 7.30 pm at **Council Chamber, Earley Town Council Offices, Radstock Lane, Earley.**

Yours faithfully

*Jo Friend*

**TOWN CLERK**

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## AGENDA

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members.

**3. PUBLIC FORUM**

To receive any questions from members of the public attending the meeting. The Public Forum shall not exceed 15 minutes. If there are no questions, the Council will commence business forthwith.

**4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and, if appropriate, to agree they represent a true and correct record and **RESOLVE** they be signed by the Chair.

**5. TOWN MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION**

To receive such communications as the Town Mayor may wish to bring to the notice of the Council.

## **6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**6.1** To receive the minutes of the following meetings:

- 6.1.1 Amenities & Leisure Committee - 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (*draft*) (Minutes 99 – 116)
- 6.1.2 Planning Committee - 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (Minutes 116 – 132)  
7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (*draft*) (Minutes 133–146)
- 6.1.3 Policy & Resources Committee - 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (*draft*) (Minutes 100 – 118)

## **7. REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES**

To receive Councillors' reports on meetings of outside bodies on which this Council is represented.

## **8. SERVICE TO EARLEY AWARD**

To note that the Service to Earley Award was presented to Bob Collis by the Town Mayor at the Annual Town Electors' Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023. Bob received the award in recognition of his years of dedication to the environment.

## **9. TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS**

To receive the recommendations of the Policy and Resources Committee that the following grants should be awarded:

Name	Amount	Notes
1996 Earley Squadron Air Training Corps	£0	High levels of reserves
ARC	£2000	
Berkshire MS Therapy Centre	£800	
Berkshire Vision	£360	High levels of reserves
Camp Mohawk	£0	No info on Earley resident numbers
Chemogiftbags	£500	Operates out of RBH
Cianna's Smile	£500	
Citizens Advice (Reading)	£500	Restricted service to Earley residents
Citizens Advice (Wokingham)	£2500	
Cruse Bereavement Support – Thames Valley Berkshire	£500	
Earleybus	£750	
Earley Day Centre	£400	
Earley District Guides	£1000	
Earley Environmental Group	£300	
EASI	£300	
First Days Children's Charity	£1500	
Home-Start Wokingham District	£600	
Keep Mobile	£900	
Link Visiting Scheme	£1000	
Loddon Primary PTA	£0	
Me2Club	£500	
Parenting Special Children (PSC)	£700	

Readibus	£2000	
Reading Male Voice Choir	£135	
Trinity Church	£500	Warm spaces
Wokingham Volunteer Centre	£500	
Wokingham Waterside Centre	£686	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£19,431</b>	

*See also Appendix A*

Members to **RESOLVE** accordingly. To note that grants will be payable in May 2023.

**10. LGBCE CONSULTATION – WOKINGHAM BOROUGH WARDING**

To receive the recommendations from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England’s review of warding arrangements for Wokingham Borough. To consider the recommendations impacting Earley and to respond to the consultation if appropriate.

<https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/36653>

*Appendix B*

**11. UPDATES**

To receive an update report on outstanding matters.

*Appendix C*

**12. COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE**

**12.1 Record of Members' Attendance**

To note details of Councillors' attendance during 2022/23 at meetings of the Council and its Committees. Records to include both remote meetings of councillors and face to face meetings of Committees and Council.

*Appendix D*

**13. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT**

To receive details of Orders for Payment since the last meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee (Vouchers 5635-5636; 5637-5673, 5674-5701 and 5702-5706) and Imprest vouchers (773-780).

*Appendix E*

**14. PUBLICATIONS**

To note that the following publications have been received and are available for perusal from the Council Offices:

Hardship Alliance Action Group	E-newsletter 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
ACER	E-newsletter Spring 2023
Involve Community Services	E-newsletter 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023

**15. PRESS RELEASES**

To decide whether any of the foregoing items of business shall form the subject of a press release.

**16. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

*To agree that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the public and press are temporarily excluded and are asked to withdraw for items 17, 18 and 19 on the Agenda.*

**17. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

To consider the Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and, if appropriate, to agree they represent a true and correct record and **RESOLVE** they be signed by the Chair.

**18. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

To receive the Confidential Minutes of the following meetings:

**18.1** Amenities & Leisure Committee - 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (*draft*) (Minute 115)

**18.2** Policy & Resources Committee - 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (*draft*) (Minute 115 – 117)

**19. ADVISOR TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Members to consider report and **RESOLVE** accordingly.

*Confidential Appendix F*