

TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

Chairman/Mayor:

Clr. Tricia Thomas

Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor:

Clr. Ann Walmsley

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Mrs. C. Benbow



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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of the Town Council in accordance with Schedule 12 para.10(2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972, to be held in the Victoria Hall, on Monday 8 November 2021 at 7.00pm.

Note: Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 this meeting was advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media or the public.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Benbow', written over a light blue horizontal line.

C. Benbow, Town Clerk

AGENDA FULL COUNCIL MONDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2021

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies from members.

2. Reports

To receive the following reports:

- a. District Council Report
- b. County Council Report
- c. Mayor's Report

3. Public Participation: Have Your Say

Have Your Say: Members of the public are invited to speak.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 11 October 2021 as a true record.

5. Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

Members to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed and to decide requests for dispensations.

6. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

To consider if any items should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2.

7. Planning

To consider Planning Applications as circulated and to note submissions to planning applications considered under delegated authority.

8. Monthly Payments Councillor Verification and Payment Approval

- a. To note that prior to the meeting two councillors verified invoices received and payments made since the last full council meeting and can verify their authenticity.
- b. To note that two councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation has taken place.
- c. To approve and authorise the payment of accounts and wages as recorded in the payments list.
- d. To identify and approve two councillors to verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period.
- e. To identify and approve two councillors to complete the online authorisation of the payments for the next payment period.

9. Finance and Governance

- a. **Six-Month Financial Report**
To consider the six-month Financial Report to 30 September 2021 (*circulated*).
- b. **Draft Budget and Precept 2022/23**
To consider the draft Budget and Precept 2022/23 (*circulated*).

10. Casual Vacancy

Members noted that SLDC has now confirmed that Grange Town Council may co-opt a new Councillor following the resignation of Tracy Hathorn on 9 August 2021.

11. Updates from Members

To receive Councillor updates on works in progress and meetings and events attended, including:

- a. **Cllr. Thomas – Councillor Surgery** – a joint surgery will be held on Saturday, 20 November 2021 at 10:30am in Room 4 (downstairs) at the Victoria Hall.
- b. **Cllr. Bailey - GAP Well Being Hub** – report from monthly meeting.
- c. **Cllr. Logan – Christmas Tree Committee.**

12. Fell Close Playground

The slide at Fell Close playground was removed by SLDC because it was dangerous. SLDC have now confirmed that a replacement slide will cost £1,550 and delivery and installation cost £750. Total £2,300. This is supplied by Yates Playgrounds and current lead time is about six weeks.

To consider proposal from Cllr. Bailey that Grange Town Council pays SLDC £2,300 to purchase and install the replacement slide.

13. Play Equipment on the Prom

a. **MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area) Fence**

To note that the fence has now been installed by P. Dalton Engineering Ltd.

b. **I-Play Replacement**

At the previous meeting, Cllr. Bailey gave a report of the Working Party survey, recommending that the I-Play is replaced with a street workout/calisthenics system, for use by people of all ages.

It was resolved that the decision would be postponed until after the meeting with SLDC on 19 October 2021, about play equipment along the whole of the Prom.

This meeting took place, Cllrs. Thomas and Bailey and the Town Clerk took part.

To note an update from the meeting, and consider proposal from Working Party, that the I-Play is replaced with a street workout/calisthenics system.

14. SLDC Ornamental Gardens Pond

At the previous meeting, correspondence from SLDC about using the Pond for electric and sail powered scale model watercraft was considered.

It was resolved that GTC supported SLDC in this initiative in principle, as encouraging local use of community assets, but had some concerns about viability, wildlife and safety, and requested a meeting with SLDC and the proposers to discuss the project.

A meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 3 November 2021, 1pm, at the Pond. Cllrs. Thomas, Walmsley and Handley were scheduled to attend.

To note an update from the meeting.

15. Training

To note that the Town Clerk attended (virtually) the SLCC National Conference on 13 and 14 October 2021.

16. Staffing

a. **Staffing Committee**

To note draft minutes from Staffing Committee held 21 October 2021 (*circulated*).

b. **Recruitment**

To note recruitment schedule for Hall and Services Manager (*circulated*).

c. **Salaries**

To consider salary increment recommended for the Finance Administrator, due to outstanding performance, and to approve the salaries with effect from 1 April 2022/23 as recommended by the Staffing Committee.

17. Next Meeting

To note that the next Full Council Meeting will be held:

Monday 13 December 2021 at the Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, 7pm