



01<sup>st</sup> February 2023

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the Town Council will be held **at 7:00pm on Tuesday 07<sup>th</sup> February 2023** at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP.

You are invited to attend for consideration of the matters shown on the attached agenda.

Members of the public can attend the meeting in person. Members of the public may ask questions in the public participation section of the meeting only.

Yours sincerely,

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** Members of the public are invited to address the Council and ask questions before the meeting begins. Additionally, County and District Councillors and local PCSO (if present).



## **Hednesford Town Council** **Council Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday 07<sup>th</sup> February 2023 @7PM**

To be held at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford

The public are invited to attend the meeting in person.

The meeting will live stream on the Council Facebook page

**1. Public Participation**

**2. Apologies**

**3. Declarations of Interest**

**4. Minutes**

To review and approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**5. Mayor's Announcements/ Updates**

- I. Friends of Hednesford – Community Volunteers
  - a. Christmas decorations
  - b. Bulb Planting
  - c. Litter Pick
- II. Thank you to Councillors – attendance at Committee meetings
- III. Historic Hednesford Event
- IV. Market – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023
- V. Access/Parking Eye update
- VI. Full council meeting etiquette

**6. Chief Officer Update**

- I. New Finance Officer
- II. Change of date for PGCC Committee Meeting
- III. Planning
- IV. UK Shared Prosperity Fund - Thriving Communities 2022 – March 2025

**7. Duncan Rollo – CCTV**

**8. Community Officer**

- I. Permanent location of Platinum Jubilee Beacon
- II. Volunteer Policy

**9. Verbal update from Committee Chairs**

- I. Regeneration and Community – Cllr Woodhead
- II. Pye Green Community Centre – Cllr Harrison
- III. Finance, Personal & Operations – Cllr Jagger

**10. Motion from Cllr Sharon Jagger**

- I. Motion from Cllr Jagger for full council to approve the adoption of the Debate not Hate campaign

**11. Motion from Cllr Paul Woodhead**

- I. Motion from Cllr Paul Woodhead for a continuation of the allocated CIL funds for the Hednesford Hopper for events throughout 2023. To date approximately £300.00 of the £1,200 has been spent

**12. Motion from Cllr Darrell Mawle**

- II. The Christmas lights switch on, which was ran by Hednesford in Partnership, was one of last years most supported & successful events and brought together thousands of residents of our town. The town council supported Hednesford in Partnership with a grant to run the event.

Hednesford in Partnership with the support of our council officers are putting together a national lottery bid for £10,000 to help the town celebrate the King's Coronation in May. Due to uncertainty of the bidding process (whether we will be successful) and when the grant decision will be made, it is currently very difficult to move forward and plan the event.

Motion form Cllr Darrell Mawle proposes that the remaining £4,000 in the Community Grant budget be used to enable Hednesford in Partnership to lead on a Coronation event so that the planning, booking and organising can proceed.

Councillors will need to decide if they wish to reclaim the £4,000 back should Hednesford in Partnership be successful in gaining the lottery grant.

**13. Motions from Finance, Operations and Personnel Committee and Cllr Chris Harborow**

Both motions to be reviewed and discussed regarding the recommendations for the potential allocation of the budget for 2023/2024

**14. Precept**

Hednesford Town Council are required to provide Cannock Chase District Council with a precept (council tax) figure for the coming financial year. It is prudent to back this figure up with a balanced budget. The Finance, Operations and Personnel Committee and Councillor Chris Harborow have put forward separate motions which suggest that the precept should increase by 5%.

A vote will be taken today on the precept increase. At Hednesford Town Councils full council meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, discussions, and vote on motions specifically about the allocation of the budget will take place.

Councillors can discuss and debate the content of the two motions mentioned above but councillors are reminded that discussions regarding staff structure, wages etc will need to be discussed in the Private and confidential part of the meeting.

**15. Private and Confidential Business**

Continuation of precept discussions to allow private and confidential information to be debated

**16. Date of next meeting**