

SANDBACH TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

For the meeting of the Sandbach Town Council to be held on
Thursday, 22 September 2005
in the **Council Chamber, Westfields.**

The opening prayer

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**
3. **JOINT HIGHWAYS – MR JAMES WOOD**

An opportunity to meet the District Engineer.

The Chairman of the meeting will adjourn the meeting to allow questions from members of the public.

After the questions the Chairman will reconvene the Town Council Meeting.

4. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON THURSDAY 7 JULY 2005.**
5. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAYS 28 JULY, 18 AUGUST AND 8 SEPTEMBER 2005.**
6. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 18 AUGUST AND THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2005.**
7. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE QUALITY COMMITTEE HELD ON 25 AUGUST 2005.**
8. **MATTERS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**
 - 8.1 **Finance Committee 15 September**

To confirm approval of the by-election cost of £5,709.06.
9. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL DELEGATES / SUB-COMMITTEES**
 - 9.1 **Sandbach Partnership**

See the attached report from Mr David McGifford.
 - 9.2 **ChALC Seminar on Planning 14 September**

Report from Cllr M R Sherman.

10. SANDBACH LITERARY INSTITUTION

To receive a progress report from the working group.

10.1 Lease

To accept a recommendation from the working group that a lease for the Town Council to occupy two rooms on the ground floor of the SLI building agreed at a meeting with representatives of the Trustees on Monday 12 September is accepted for signing by the Chairman and another member of the Council.

10.2 Financial Regulation 11.1

To direct that the order for the preparation of the new Clerk's office will be given to one of the three contractors who have provided quotations and that Financial Regulation 11.1 be waived in this instance.

11. REFURBISHMENT OF THE COBBLES

Reply attached.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 CBC - Corporate Strategy & Performance Plan 2005/2006

This was issued on 7 July and a copy is available from the Clerk.

12.2 Disabled Parking – Mrs C Rowland and Mr G Payne

They disagree with Town Council's resolution of 7 July.

12.3 CCC – Engineering Service

They acknowledge receipt of the Town Council's comments.

12.4 Advanced Motorists – Sandbach Traffic System

They offer a number of collected thoughts.

12.5 Rotary Club – Bench Seat

They wish to site a seat outside the Literary Institution.

12.6 Cheshire Constabulary – Crime Reduction Adviser

She offers help for Sandbach.

12.7 Committed to Equality - Questionnaire

They require us to identify our current practice in applying Public Duty to monitor and Review Suppliers.

12.8 War Memorials Trust – Small Grant Scheme

Ms Louise Wallace has forwarded the attached details.

12.9 CBC – Sandbach Market Charter

The Charter is to be sent to the Record Office for safe keeping.

12.10 Joint Highways – Georges Walk

Information is available.

12.11 Civic Parade Policing correspondence

Acknowledgements have been received.

12.12 Joint Highways Non-injury Accident Statistics

STC are invited to participate.

12.13 Cheshire Planning Forum

A representative is invited to attend the next meeting at Winsford on 14 October.

12.14 The Local Works – Sustainable Communities Bill

They invite the Council to support the Bill.

12.15 ChALC – Annual Meeting

We are invited to nominate representatives to attend the meeting on 13 October.

12.16 ChALC – Local Democracy Week

Information attached.

12.17 CBC – Efficiency Review

The Chief Executive gives details of the Borough's cost cutting exercise.

12.18 Colin Roddan Associates – Town Hall

His company offers advice on how to run a Town Hall.

13. MEMBERS' ITEMS — MATTERS AFFECTING THE TOWN OF SANDBACH

13.1 362 - Cllr D Robinson - Street Lighting

To express concern over the extended period of down time for individual lights and the poor response times for their repair.

13.2 363 - Cllr D Robinson – Local Public Transport

The Council's support is sought for exploring the provision of a very local public transport service covering the Town Centre to Sandbach Heath, Hassall Road, Mortimer Drive, Wheelock, Elworth, The Limes

13.3 364 – Cllr D Lloyd-Griffiths - Electoral Registration Forms

To express concern over their failure to comply with DDA guidance.

13.4 365 – Cllr P Darnes – Congleton Road Filling Station

That the derelict site presents an unacceptable image of Sandbach.

13.5 366 – Cllr G Thomas – CBC's Financial Situation

That the Council expresses its extreme concern at the financial difficulties currently being experienced by CBC which may have serious consequences in the quality of service provision.

14. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Town Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday 8 December 2005 at 7.15 pm in the Sandbach Literary Institution.