

NEW MILLS TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor

7 May 2024

You are summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the Town Council to be held on

Monday 13 May 2024 at 7.00pm

In the Council Chambers, New Mills Town Hall, New Mills, High Peak.

Yours sincerely



Clare Wild, Town Clerk.

Meetings open to the public may be recorded by representatives of the media and members of the public and are requested to do so in accordance with the Town Councils Standing Orders. There is no planned fire alarm for the duration of the meeting. The Chair may ask anyone acting in a disruptive manner to leave the meeting.

AGENDA

- 1. Election, and acceptance of office, Chair of the Town Council and election of Vice Chair.**
- 2. Introductions & Apologies for Absence**
To receive apologies and grant approvals for absence
- 3. Variation of Business**
To change the order of agenda items
- 4. Declarations of Members Interest and Dispensation Applications**
 - a. Updates to Register of Members Interests
 - b. Declaration of interests by councillors and non-councillors with voting rights on agenda items in accordance with the Town Councils Code of Conduct
 - c. To review and grant approvals for requests for dispensation
- 5. Public Participation**
Members of the public can speak for no longer than 3 minutes each without the Chairs permission and this period is limited to 15 minutes in total and includes update reports presented by
 - a. Members of the Public
 - b. Community Police

- c. Derbyshire County Council Councillor representing New Mills and Hayfield
- d. High Peak Borough Councillor/s representing New Mills
- e. Members declaring a prejudicial interest who wish to make representation or give evidence under the Code of Conduct relating to agenda items shall do so at this stage

6. Minutes of the last meetings of the Full Town Council

To provide approval of the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 14 April 2025

7. New Mills Town Council Governance

- i. To consider New Mills Town Council Standing Orders for approval
- ii. To consider New Mills Town Council Financial Regulations for approval
- iii. To consider adoption of the Power of General Competence
- iv. To appoint committees and sub-committees, including Terms of Reference
- v. To receive nominations for and appoint Cllrs to committees and sub-committees
- vi. To receive nominations for and appoint Chairs and Vice Chairs of the committees and sub-committees
- vii. To receive nominations for and appoint Lead Cllrs for discrete areas of work, projects and links to community groups
- viii. To confirm council meetings for the year ahead including committees and subcommittees, and next annual meeting

8. Finance

- i. To consider and authorise accounts for payment
- ii. To note the Bank Balances for the month ended 30 April 2025
- iii. To consider entering lease for replacement tractor/mower
- iv. To note/approve any suspension of financial regulations
- v. To consider a review of 2024/2025 end of year position and requirements for any ear marked reserves or ring fenced reserves

to be actioned by Finance Committee to make recommendations to Council

9. Planning

To consider new planning applications received from High Peak Borough Council (HPBC) from 5 April 2025 until 4 May 2025

10. Correspondence

To note correspondence received during April 2025 and agree any required responses/engagement with the community.

11. Events

To consider permission and/or note updates on the following

- i. Annual Parish Council Meeting
- ii. Volunteers Week Celebration
- iii. Light up The Torrs Event
- iv. Proms on the Park
- v. One World Festival
- vi. To consider introduction of an outdoor event agreement

12. Policies

To consider adoption/approval of following policies

- i. Whats App Policy – new policy
- ii. Sexual Harassment and Bullying Policy – update to note
- iii. Disciplinary Conduct and Capability Policy – new policy
- iv. Appraisal Policy - policy review

13. Parks and Open Spaces Working Group (POSWG)

- i. To note meeting notes from meeting held 29 April 2025
- ii. To consider a revised terms of reference for POSWG
- iii. To consider a request for POSWG interim budget
- iv. To consider any further actions that require council support

14. Network Rail Update

To receive an update on emergency works taking part at Hague Bar and consider any decisions arising from recent developments.