



Morecambe Town Council

Agenda Environment Committee

Date	20/11/2024
Time	16:00 - 18:00
Location	Morecambe Town Hall, Marine Road Morecambe Lancashire LA4 5AF
Chair	Clark Kent
Explanation	Dear Councillor,

Dated this fifteenth day of November 2024, you are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Morecambe Town Council's Environment Committee to be held at 16:00 on the 20th day of November 2024.

The meeting will be held in Morecambe Town Hall, Marine Road East, Morecambe, LA4 5AF to transact business on the agenda.

Note to Councillors:

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please notify the Proper Officer of your apologies.

Note to Public:

Electors of the town wishing to address the Council are advised to notify the Proper Officer before 10am on the day of the meeting. Permission to speak at the meeting will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Public participation session at a meeting shall not require response or debate and shall solely consist of matters relating to items on the agenda. If the representation made is considered outside the remit of Morecambe Town Council, electors will be referred to the principal authority or other appropriate body.

Your sincerely,
Mr L Trevaskis, CiLCA, PSLCC.
Chief Executive

1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence and consider any reasons for acceptance.

[\(Local Government Act 1972, Section 85\)](#)

2 Declarations

To record any declared interests relating to the business of the meeting and receive any dispensation requests from the Proper Officer.
([Localism Act 2011, Section 31](#))

3 Minutes

To approve the minutes of the last meeting.
([Local Government Act 1972, Section 111](#))

4 Public Participation

To receive representations from electors that have requested to speak by 10am regarding a matter on the agenda.
([Morecambe Town Council Standing Orders - Sections 1d-1l](#))

Note: any electors addressing the Committee must not exceed a three minute time limit.

5 Noticeboards

Discussions with Lancaster City Council have provided an opportunity to install an additional noticeboard at Happy Mount Park. If the decision is made to move forward, confirmation of budget accommodation will be necessary. There is also the possibility of allocating the budget for this project in FY2526, subject to contractor payment terms.

6 Allotments

To note the positive outcomes of recent meetings thus far, following the Committee's recommendation to continue ongoing discussions.

7 Spring Flower Beds

1. **Plant Order Secured:** officers have successfully secured an order for 8,000 mixed ranunculus, which are expected to arrive in March 2025. These plants will be used to enhance key public spaces in Morecambe.

2. **New Town Ranger:** a new Town Ranger has been identified following the recent recruitment process. This new role will start between Christmas and New Year, providing the additional workforce needed during the busy planting season.

3. **Operational Strategy:** an operational strategy is currently being finalised. It will not only outline key milestones, but also identify opportunities to involve the community in the planting process. This strategy document is expected to be shared with members in early 2025.

8 Land Parcels

To receive an update from members who visited Alexandra Park, and consider any actions.

9 Exclusion of the Press and Public

The Council is recommended to pass the following recommendation in relation to the following items:

"That, in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons arising from the nature of that business or of the proceedings."

[\(Public Bodies \(Admission to Meetings\) Act 1960 - Section 1\)](#)

10 Fleet

To receive an update regarding some ongoing challenges and review adjustments to vehicle plans, considering current availability and constraints, particularly around adaptations needed for six seater cabs.

11 Budget Bid FY2526

To agree a budget bid for FY2526.