

RYE TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA C13

working for the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Antient Town of Rye

To ALL MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of **Rye Town Council** to be held on **Monday 29 January 2024 at The Town Hall, Rye, 6.30pm** when it is proposed to transact the business set out below.

108 PRAYERS

Prayers will be said.

109 APOLOGIES

To accept any apologies for absence.

110 CODE OF CONDUCT

To receive any declarations of interest required under the Council's Code of Conduct – and to consider any written applications made by Members to the Clerk for a dispensation to allow them to participate in, and vote on an agenda item for which they have a Disclosable Interest.

The Mayor to adjourn the meeting for up to 45 minutes for:

- a) Mayoral announcements*
- b) The Report(s) of the District Councillors*
- c) The Report of the County Councillor*
- d) Public Question Time*

111 COUNCIL MINUTES

To approve - and to authorise the Chairman to sign - the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2023 (C12).

112 FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF RYE'S ALLOTMENTS

To consider the recommendations of the Allotments Management Task & Finish Group.
T&F Group

113 CIVILITY AND RESPECT

A Dignity at work

To adopt the Draft Dignity at Work policy (based on the National Association of Local Council's model).
Clerk

B Civility & Respect Pledge

To sign the NALC Civility & Respect Pledge, thereby confirming that RTC agrees that it will treat councillors, clerks, employees, members of the public, and representatives of partner organisations and volunteers with civility and respect in their roles - and that it:

- Has put in place a training programme for councillors and staff.
- Has signed up to the Code of Conduct for councillors.
- Has good governance arrangements in place including staff contracts and a dignity at work policy.
- Will seek professional help at the early stages should civility and respect issues arise.
- Will commit to calling out bullying and harassment if and when it happens.
- Will continue to learn from best practices in the sector and aspire to be a role model/champion council through for example the local Local Council Award Scheme.

- Supports the continued lobbying for change in legislation to support the Civility and Respect Pledge, including sanctions for elected members where appropriate.

114 LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 4

To consider whether to respond to the [consultation](#) (deadline: 25.2.24). **Clerk**

115 GRANT APPLICATIONS

a) PETT LEVEL INDEPENDENT RESCUE BOAT ASSOCIATION

To consider a request for a grant of £1,000-£5,000 towards its three ongoing fundraising projects. **Clerk**

b) RYE BAY FOOTBALL CLUB

To consider a request for a grant of £1,000 towards replacing its goals and nets. **Clerk**

116 BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2024-25

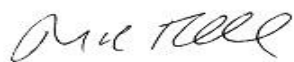
To consider approving the draft Budget 2024-25 and suggested precept of £?????. **Clerk**

Note If the meeting is unable to agree a budget and set a precept an additional meeting for this purpose will be held on 12 February 2024.

ROBES WILL BE WORN

Supporting/Associated documents distributed with this agenda

111 Council Minutes (C12) **112** Briefing paper; draft Allotments Committee Terms of Reference **114** Email from D Chapman 1.12.23 **115a)** Application form; Accounts **115b)** Application form & Accounts **116** Overview; Draft Budget 2024-25; Forecast Earmarked Reserves.



24 January 2024

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