

# MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Town Hall  
Malmesbury,  
Wiltshire  
24<sup>th</sup> December 2007

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

You are summoned to a Meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Malmesbury Town Hall on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2006, commencing at 7.00pm.

J Penfold  
Town Clerk

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### To all members of Council

Cllr W G Blake  
Cllr Mrs A L Davis  
Cllr Mrs C C Doody  
Cllr J R Lawton  
Cllr R F Sanderson  
Cllr A C R Woodcock

Cllr J A Bowen  
Cllr Miss E A Davis  
Cllr P J Goldstone  
Cllr M J Thomas  
Cllr M H Snell

Cllr S Cox  
Cllr B E Denley  
Cllr S Killane  
Cllr J E F Poole  
Cllr C M Vernon

## A G E N D A

### Prayers

### Mayoral Announcements

### Public Question Time

1. Apologies.
2. To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Local Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007.
3. To receive, adopt and **check progress on the action points** for the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2007.
4. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Planning and Environmental Issues Committee held on the 15<sup>th</sup> November and 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December 2007.
5. To receive the Minutes of the Joint Burial Committee held on the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2007.

6. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Town Promotion and Tourism Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2007.
7. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Leisure and Youth Committee held on the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2007.
8. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2007, and consider the recommendation for the Town Council budget for 2008/9 attached as Report No.1.
9. To receive a report from the Chair of the Accounts Sub Committee following examination of the cheques.
10. To consider a motion from Councillor W G Blake concerning the condition of the railings on the Town Bridge, details included in attached report No.2
11. To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies.
12. To consider any items of Correspondence.
13. Public Question Time.

Matters outside the scope of this particular Meeting which a member of the public wishes to ask should be placed - in writing - to the Town Clerk at least 3 days prior to this Meeting in order for a full response to be made available.

## Report No.2.

### Motion to Meeting of Malmesbury Town Council 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008

#### Town Bridge

##### 1. Proposal

- 1.1 This town council instructs the town clerk to acquaint our County Councillor with the pressing need for St John's Bridge to be cleaned & repainted, and to ask him to make strenuous efforts to get funding inserted into the WCC budget for this work to be undertaken during the next financial year.

##### 2. Supporting Statement

- 2.1 Many months ago the Town Promotions & Tourism Committee reviewed the condition of the "fixtures and fittings" around our town and came to the conclusion that many are badly in need of cleaning & repainting.
- 2.2 St Johns Bridge was highlighted as a particularly pressing need since this is the prime entrance into our town. The deplorable condition of the extensive railings gives an impression of neglect & when viewed in conjunction with the associated poor road surface, cannot present a good image to visitors.
- 2.3 The poor state of the bridge railings contributes to a general impression of growing dowdiness which it is argued must be dealt with if our historic town is to remain a tourist attraction.
- 2.4 It was thought that volunteers using paint and brushes provided by the MTC could undertake the requisite cleaning & painting. However, it has now become evident that the task is much more complex than first thought due to the demands of the Environment Agency, thus placing it beyond what could reasonably be asked of volunteers.

##### 3. Recommendation

- 3.1 The members of Malmesbury Town Council are invited to support the proposal as stated in Paragraph 1.1

Town Councillor W G Blake  
13.12.2007