

Town Crier

1. Purpose of the Report

For members to consider a budget for Town Crier role.

2. Background

- 2.1 A Town Crier had been in position in Malmesbury from approximately 1991 until 2014.
- 2.2 Other Towns enlist the services of a Town Crier at Civic events and also to assist as a 'face' of the Town Council.
- 2.3 Town Crier roles are paid in the region of £20 per appearance and others receive no payment.
- 2.4 The role was advertised in recent years but with no take up.
- 2.5 The Malmesbury Town Council uniform worn by the Town Crier is in a fair condition and requires no replacement at this stage.
- 2.6 It was resolved at the last Policy & Resources meeting to begin the recruitment process for a Town Crier.

3. Financial Implications & Risks

The Town Crier would be covered as any other member of staff/volunteer. An honorarium may be paid by the Council.

4. Decision Required

Members determine whether the role should be paid an honorarium, to be included in the advertisement and to prepare a statement of purpose.

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