

## Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, Wiltshire SN13 0EZ

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To: All Members of the Property and Amenities Committee: Councillors S Abbott, H Belcher OBE, N Brakspear, J Brook, T Ellis, G McCaffrey, J Roberton, G Ward and R Williams.

All other Members of the Council for information.

Dear Councillor

The next meeting of the Property and Amenities Committee will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 26 March 2025 commencing at 7pm.

Yours sincerely

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David J Martin CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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## AGENDA

- 1. Apologies.
- 2. Public Question Time and Petitions.
- 3. Declarations of Interest.

To receive any Declaration(s) of Interest under Corsham Town Council's Code of Conduct issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Property and Amenities Committee meeting held on 22 January 2025 – *for information only.* 

- 5. Corsham 20mph Limits (*Minute P&A 16/24 and others*): Since the previous Committee meeting, the 20mph speed limits in the town centre have been implemented. A map from the Traffic Regulation Order is **attached** for information. The Town Council has received quite a bit of correspondence regarding the terminal points of the limits. The Committee is invited to consider the issues raised and to decide whether to raise them with the LHFIG with a view to amending/extending the scheme *for consideration/decision*.
- Town Transport Plan (*Minute 251/24, P&A 48/24 and others*): The Town Council has now received a finished designed version of the Town Transport Plan. The Plan was approved by Full Council on 10 March, subject to minor amendments. Councillors were very happy with the Plan, but did make the following suggested amendments: Page 12, Fig 4 – Add Heywood Prep School
  - Page 12, Fig 4 and page 15 Fig 5 Add Difficult Crossings: between the bus stops by Copenacre on the A4 between the bus stops on Bradford Road by the entrance to Northleaze Bradford Road on the exit from Park Place at the northern end of the new footpath Potley Lane at the crossing point by the Masons Wharf business park.

The Committee is invited to consider the Plan and to suggest any further amendments that might be needed. A more detailed action plan will be developed for consideration at a future committee meeting – *for consideration*.

- 7. Corsham Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP): Wiltshire Council and its contractor Atkins Realis have begun work on the LCWIP for Corsham. A stakeholder workshop took place on 6 March, the slides from which are **attached**. The Committee is invited to consider the information contained within the slides, including the emerging Network Map, and to formulate a response which can be fed into the LCWIP work for consideration/decision.
- 8. Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS): A Briefing Note on the Local Nature Recovery Strategy is **attached** *for consideration*.
- 9. Update on Local Highway Improvement Group Issues (*Minute P&A 64/24 and others*): To receive an update on LHFIG issues *for information/decision.*
- 10. Requests for Highway Improvements and Traffic Surveys (*Minute P&A 65/24 and others*): To consider whether to support the following requests:
  - Black Path Request for additional No Cycling signage at the entrance points to the path at Springfield Rec, Paul Street and The Tynings (**copy attached**).
  - Church Rise, Neston Request for improvement works to footpath (**copy attached**).
  - Katherine Park Request for traffic calming and speed signage (copy attached).
  - Velley Hill, Gastard Request for traffic calming (copy attached).
  - Duke Crescent / Copenacre Way x2 Two requests to re-site bollards (copies attached).
- 11. Waiting Restrictions Request Form. To consider a WR1 Form relating to Arnolds Mead, Corsham (**copy attached**).

- 12. Speed Indicator Devices and AutoSpeedWatch (*Minute P&A 66/24 and others*): A report setting out the devices operate, the data they capture, how this data is used and the barrier encountered in their use is **to follow** *for consideration*.
- 13. Arnold House update on Repairs and Maintenance (*Minute P&A 62/24 and others*): To receive an update on works and costs incurred at Arnold House *for information*.
- 14. Update on Tree Work: To receive an update from the Head of Technical Services on tree works undertaken by the Town Council *for information*.
- 15. Update on Park Place Allotments: To receive an update from the Head of Technical Services on the Park Place Allotments *for information*.
- 16. Update on Bus Shelter Cleaning and Maintenance (*Minute P&A 63/24 and others*): To receive an update on bus shelter work *for information*.
- 17. No.10 Town Bus Saturday Afternoon Services Proposal The Committee is asked to support the trial of a Saturday afternoon No.10 Bus Service. The No.10 Service is funded by Wiltshire Council and delivered by Faresaver. Corsham's current Saturday bus service ends at 12:38pm but other local towns' bus services run much later.

A recent community survey on the No10 service put the addition of additional Saturday afternoon services as the number one priority for users. There is a proposal by Wiltshire Council for four additional Saturday afternoon services with a 50% subsidy by Corsham Town Council broadly covering the period from 1pm to 4pm. The cost of the subsidy to run this scheme, as a trial period to the end of 2025, is likely to be in the region of £5k for Corsham Town Council. Exact figures aren't known but this could be met from the Environmental Projects Budget for a limited period. The length of the trial will depend on how long the funding lasts.

The Saturday afternoon services would likely benefit town centre businesses and make it much more convenient for people wanting to use public transport to travel to and from destinations around Corsham. The service should reduce people's reliance on using a car, helping cut overall carbon emissions – *for consideration*.