



**TO: ALL MEMBERS
OF THE COUNCIL**

My Ref: PAR\LM\COUNCIL

Date: 8th July 2026

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12, Section 10, to attend a Meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL** to be held at Newton's Place, Wolborough Street, Newton Abbot on **WEDNESDAY 15th JULY 2026 at 7:00pm** to transact the business specified in the Agenda as set out below.

This is a meeting in public, not a public meeting. Members of the public and press are welcome to attend the meeting. If you wish to ask a question, please email info@newtonabbot-tc.gov.uk no later than 48 hours before the day of the meeting. The Council will make additional reasonable adaptations to facilitate attendance at its meetings upon request.

Attendees should be aware that the proceedings of this meeting may be recorded, filmed or photographed, by entering the Council Chamber attendees are consenting to being recorded.

Yours sincerely

Town Clerk

PRAYERS: Anna Chaplain, Kim Martin to lead the Council in prayers.

A G E N D A

PART A – GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. **WELCOME FROM THE MAYOR**
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted.

3. **INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in items to be considered at this meeting.

4. **MINUTES**

To approve the minutes of the Council meetings held on the:

a) 3rd June 2026 **APPENDIX A**

b) 24th June 2026 (special) **APPENDIX B**

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** (7.10 – 7.25 p.m. approx.)

The Committee sets aside, a short period at the commencement of the meeting when the public can ask questions or make statements in accordance with the rules of public participation as contained at the end of this agenda.

6. **PRESENTATION - WHITE PAPER ON POLICING**

To receive a report from Martin Wrigley MP on the White Paper on Policing.

7. **LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME**

Presentation of the Local Council Award Scheme 'Silver Award'.

8. **REPORTS OF COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**

To receive reports from Councillors on activities in their roles as County and/or District Councillors.

9. **MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(a) Mayoral activities since the 3rd June 2026 **APPENDIX C**

(b) Other appropriate items including Mayoral activities in the course of preparation.

PART B – MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES AND ITEMS FOR DECISION

10. **NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Further to Minute 26/06(37), where it was resolved that the Town Council prioritise the review of the Newton Abbot Neighbourhood Development Plan and granted delegated authority to the Town Clerk to investigate the appointment of a Town Planner to support the review process and report back to a future meeting. **APPENDIX D**

11. INTERNAL AUDITOR REPORT 2025/26

To consider and approve the final Internal Audit Report for the year ending 31st March 2026.

APPENDIX E

12. POLICIES

To consider and adopt the following policies:

(a) CCTV Policy (New) **APPENDIX F**
(*recommendation from Policy & Resources*)

(b) Data Retention and Disposal Policy (New) **APPENDIX G**
(*recommendation from Policy & Resources*)

(c) Freedom of Information Request Policy (New) **APPENDIX H**
(*recommendation from Policy & Resources*)

(d) Town Centre Managed Sites Policy (New) **APPENDIX I**
(*recommendation from Policy & Resources*)

(e) Complaints Policy **APPENDIX J**

(f) Statement of Internal Control **APPENDIX K**

13. INSURANCE

To receive and note the Responsible Financial Officer's report confirming that the Council's insurance policy has been renewed for the forthcoming year.

14. PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEES

To receive and in so far as may be necessary to approve reports, minutes and recommendations of the under mentioned Committees as presented by the respective Committee Chairperson: -

Minutes/Committee	Date	Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson
A. Planning	02/06/2026	Yabsley/Jennings APPENDIX L
B. Community & Heritage	10/06/2026	Ineson/Bailey APPENDIX M
C. Policy & Resources	17/06/2026	Parker/Wood APPENDIX N
D. Planning	23/06/2026	Yabsley/Jennings APPENDIX O

PART C – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

15. LATE CORRESPONDENCE (if any)

For information.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 30th September 2026

17. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

18. STRATEGIC MATTERS – UPDATE FROM THE TOWN CLERK

To receive an update from the Town Clerk on the following strategic matters and to consider granting delegated authority to the Town Clerk to progress actions arising from:

- a) Asset Opportunity
- b) Old Forde House
- c) Asset Transfer Updates

Distribution:

All Members of Newton Abbot Town Council
District Councillors Jackie Hook, Liam Mullone, Rob Hayes.
County Councillors Jacqueline Fry, Mick Cockerham
Jo Rice Senior Case Officer MP Martin Wrigley
Communications Advisor Nigel Canham
Hon. Freeman Mr M Hocking
Hon. Freewoman Mrs C Bunday
Anna Chaplain Kim Martin
Inspector Ryan Northmore

RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT MEETINGS OF NEWTON ABBOT TOWN COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES/SUB-COMMITTEES

The Council will set aside a short period at the commencement of each meeting when members of the public can ask questions or make statements.

Should an individual or representative of a group or body wish to address Members of the Council the following rules are to be followed: -

1. General

Members of the public may ask questions or make statements at ordinary meetings of the Council and its Committees and Sub-Committees. If an informal group have a common interest, one of their number is to be identified to speak on behalf of the whole.

2. Order

Questions/statements will be asked in the order notice of them was received, except that the Chairman may group together similar questions.

3. Notice

A question or statement may only be taken if notice has been given by delivering it in writing or by electronic mail to the Clerk no later than 48 hours before the day of the meeting.

4. Number

At any one meeting no person may submit more than one question/statement.

5. Scope

The Clerk may reject a question/statement if it:

- is not about a matter for which the local authority has a responsibility or which affects the Town of Newton Abbot;
- is defamatory, frivolous or offensive;
- is substantially the same as a question which has been put at a meeting of the Council in the past six months; or
- requires the disclosure of confidential information.

6. Speaking at the meeting

The Chairman will invite the individual to put the question/statement to the Meeting. If a questioner who has submitted a written question is unable to be present, they may ask the Chairman or Clerk to put the question on their behalf.

7. Supplemental question

A questioner who has put a question in person may also put one supplementary question without notice. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply. The Chairman may reject a supplementary question on any of the grounds in Rule 5 above.