



Meeting (No) **Community & Environment Committee (12)**
Time & Date **6pm Tuesday 9 April 2024**
Place **Neston Town Hall**
Document **Agenda**

The following members of Neston Town Council's Community & Environment Committee are hereby summoned to attend the above meeting which will be held on **Tuesday 9th April 2024** at Neston Town Hall, commencing at **6pm** for the purpose of transacting the business as listed below.

Cllrs: S. Davies, P. Doughty, J. Griffiths, T. Hardcastle, B. Marple, A. Townsend

The meeting is held in public and members of the public and the press are encouraged to attend. Confidential items pertaining to contractual or staffing matters have to be discussed in "Part 2" where only Councillors and reporting officers can be present.

Date of Notice: 2nd April 2024

Zoë Dean
Locum Chief Officer
Neston Town Council

AGENDA		
PART 1: Items to be considered in the presence of the press and public		
125	Public Participation (maximum of three minutes per person)	
	Members of the public are invited to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any business being transacted at the meeting and about any other matter for which the Town Council has responsibility.	
126	Apologies for Absence	
	To receive and consider acceptance of reasons for absence and to note other absence.	
		Papers
127	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive declarations of pecuniary and/or non-pecuniary interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item.	
128	Minutes of the Last Meeting	
a	To accept and sign the minutes from the Community & Environment Committee meeting held on 13.02.24.	CE12/128a
b	To clarify that minute 110 (06.02.24) referred to the financial year 24/25.	
129	Community & Environment Manager's Report	
	To receive the Community & Environment Manager's report.	CE12/129
130	Committee Budgets 2023/24	

a	To consider the Month 11 C&E Committee budget statement and earmarked reserves and decide if any adjustments are required.	CE12/130a
b	To agree that up to £150 may be added to the C&E Manager's prepayment (Equals) card as required to cover the cost of day-to-day C&E-related expenditure and to delegate authority to the C&E Manager to make such day-to-day purchases.	
131	Council Delivery Plan	
a	To review the current status of the delivery plan categories within the remit of the Community and Environment Committee.	CE12/131a
b	To appoint Cllr Braithwaite as Neston Town Council representative on the Neston & Willaston Care Community Steering Group.	
132	Community Event Donations	
a	To consider a costed project outline and approve a donation of £1,700 to Neston Village Fair Committee for the Neston Village Fair 2024.	CE12/132a
b	To consider a costed project outline and approve a donation of £1,600 to Friends of West Vale Park for the West Vale Park Family Fun Day 2024.	CE12/132b
c	To consider a costed project outline and approve a donation of £1,500 to Neston Female Society for entertainment for Ladies Day 2024.	CE12/132c
d	To consider providing a donation of £2,500 to Neston Parish Church (St Mary & St Helen) for the provision of external Christmas lights to enhance the Christmas display.	
e	To consider and approve details of the community Christmas event scheduled for 30 November and agree the release of funds up to the agreed maximum (minute 110) to be used for event preparations, including the cost of road closure and event licence.	CE12/132e
133	Community Grants	
a	To consider a grant request of £1,000 from Neston Flower Society for 65 th anniversary exhibition costs.	CE12/133a
b	To consider a grant request of £2,500 from Little Actors for the 2024-25 season of theatre from Neston Town Hall	CE12/133b
c	To consider a grant request of £498.40 from Neston Community Youth Centre for an event to celebrate local community heroes.	CE12/133c
d	To consider a grant request of £1,790 from 2375 (Neston) Air Cadets Association for essential learning and development equipment.	CE12/133d
134	Neston Looking Better Group	
	To consider minutes of the meeting held on 15.02.25.	CE12/134
135	Marsh Working Group	
	To consider the Marsh Working Group recommendation that the autumn 2024 dredging should concentrate on amalgamating the small, shallow pools in front of the Harp pub and just south of Denhall Quay and agree to obtain a dredging quotation via RSPB for consideration at a future meeting.	CE12/135
136	Village Fair	
	To decide whether to have a Town Council stand at the Village Fair on 6 July and, if so, to agree a theme and how the stand will be run on the day.	

137	Bunting	
a	To approve purchase of 10m lengths of replacement bunting at a maximum cost of £200 + VAT and carriage charge.	
b	To approve installation of bunting in the High Street area by the existing contractor at a maximum cost of £2,400+VAT from budget 4361 (Ladies Day bunting). Bunting to remain in place for eight weeks from Ladies Day.	
138	Telephone Boxes	
a	To consider recommending to Council that Neston Town Council should apply to take ownership of two telephone boxes (one at the junction of Landseer Avenue/Raeburn Avenue and the other opposite the Royal Oak, Little Neston) if BT decides that they should be decommissioned.	
b	To agree how to engage with the local community in these areas to ensure that any alternative use meets local wishes and need.	
139	Date of Next Meeting	
	To note that the date of the next scheduled meeting will be agreed at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 21.05.24.	