

SANDBACH TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

For the meeting of the Sandbach Town Council to be held on
Thursday, 22 May 2003
in the Council Chamber, Westfields.

7.15 p.m.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**
3. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2003**
4. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 APRIL 2003**
5. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAYS 6 MARCH 2003, 27 MARCH 2003 AND 17 APRIL 2003**
6. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 17 APRIL 2003**
7. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6 MAY 2003**
8. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING**

8.1 Item 14.1 – Sub-Committee to Liaise With The Sandbach Chamber Of Trade & Commerce

The Annual Meeting appointed four members, viz., Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Cllr Mrs Minshull & Cllr Moore. The Town Council had previously 5 representatives. Appointment of fifth member of the sub-committee and clarification on the use of substitutes.

8.2 Item 16.2 - Sandbach Partnership

Cllr N T Price has written: -

From information I have received I was correct, only one representative of the Town Council is allowed on the Sandbach Partnership. The Conservative Group nominate Cllr Michelle Smith as the representative of Sandbach Town Council. Proposed by: - Cllr Neville Price, Seconded by: - Cllr. Jack Iddon

9. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL DELEGATES / SUB-COMMITTEES**
10. **QUALITY COUNCILS**

Parish and Town Councils are being encouraged by the Government to achieve Quality status. For example see the attached letter from Alun Michael of DEFRA. Also attached are documents giving an overview of the system and detailing the quality tests. Does the Council wish to work toward Quality Status? If so the main obstacles are the accreditation of the Clerk and a period of public participation at meetings

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Charlotte Peters Rock - RAF Cranage

Mrs Rock would like the Council's support to have the site scheduled as an ancient monument.

11.2 Sandbach RUFC

A letter thanking the Council for its support and a description of the Club's achievements in the last year is attached.

11.3 Sandbach Partnership

The Project Manager has produced a "First Quarter Monitoring Report", the majority of which is attached.

11.4 Post Office – Carry on Collecting Initiative

In April the Government began the process of paying benefits, pensions and some tax credits directly into recipients' accounts. A description of the Post Office can still be used is attached.

11.5 Disability Matters Forums

They wish Town Councils to become involved and ask Sandbach to appoint a representative. The letter is attached.

11.6 Congleton Police Forum

An agenda for the meeting on 27 May 2003 at Middlewich Civic Hall is attached.

11.7 Cheshire Constabulary – Congleton Sector

An open public meeting is to be held at Sandbach School on 3 June. The details are attached.

11.8 Cheshire Association of Town & Parish Councils

- Notification of the QPS Seminar at Byley Village Hall on Thursday 5 June.
- Training Update.
- Governance and Accountability in Local Councils in England & Wales – A (New) Practitioner's Guide.

12. MEMBERS' ITEMS – MATTERS AFFECTING THE TOWN OF SANDBACH

12.1 324 – Cllr Mrs D E Alcock – Street Litter

Concerns about street litter.

12.2 325 – Cllr D Robinson - Sandbach Market

That the Town Council updates its policy with regard to a future Sandbach Market contract.

12.3 326 – Cllr R W Sutton - London Road, Elworth Pedestrian crossing

12.4 327 – Cllr N T Price – Internal Audit

That this Council immediately has an internal Audit.

13. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Town Council meeting is scheduled for 10 July 2003.