

# Summons and Agenda



Town Hall  
Royal Tunbridge Wells

Tuesday, 16 May 2023

To the Members of the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

I request your attendance at a meeting of the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council to be held at the Council Chamber, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 1RS, on Wednesday, 24 May 2023, at 11.00 am, when the following business is proposed to be transacted.

- 1      **Apologies for absence** (Page 4)  
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2      **Declarations of Interest** (Page 5)  
To receive any declarations of interest by members in items on the agenda. For any advice on declarations of interest; please contact the Monitoring Officer before the meeting.
- 3      **Election of the Mayor** (Page 6)  
To elect the Mayor of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the municipal year 2023/24.
- 4      **Presentation of Badge to the Immediate Past Mayor** (Page 7)  
To present a badge to the immediate past Mayor in recognition of valued service and the appreciation of the Borough Council, and for the past Mayor to return thanks.
- 5      **Appointment of the Deputy Mayor** (Page 8)  
To appoint the Deputy Mayor of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council of the municipal year 2023/24.
- 6      **Return of Persons Elected to the Borough Council** (Pages 9 - 10)  
To note the names of each of the persons elected Borough Councillor as set out in the associated notice.
- 7      **Appointments to Committees 2023/24** (Page 11)  
To consider and, if thought fit, to approve the recommendations set out in the report.
- 8      **Urgent Business** (Page 12)  
To consider any other items which the Mayor decides are urgent, for the reasons to be stated, in accordance with Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.
- 9      **Common Seal of the Council** (Page 13)  
To authorise the Common Seal of the Council to be affixed to any contract, minute, notice or other document arising out of the minutes, or pursuant to any delegation, authority or power conferred by the Council.

**Date of next meeting**

To note that the date of the next meeting is 5 July 2023.

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Chief Executive

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## Apologies for Absence

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To receive any apologies for absence.

## Declarations of Interest

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To receive any declarations of interest by members in items on the agenda in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct. For any advice on declarations of interest, please contact the Monitoring Office before the meeting.

## Election of the Mayor

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To elect the Mayor of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the municipal year 2023/24.

## Presentation of Badge to the Immediate Past Mayor

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To present a badge to the immediate past Mayor in recognition of the valued service and the appreciation of the Borough Council.

## Appointment of the Deputy Mayor

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To appoint the Deputy Mayor of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for the municipal year 2023/24.



## Return of Persons Elected to the Borough Council

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

### Procedural Item

I, WILLIAM BENSON, the duly appointed Returning Officer for the Borough Council elections held on Thursday 4 May 2023, DO HEREBY RETURN the names of the each of the persons elected Borough Councillors as set out in the following schedule.

William Benson  
Returning Officer

Ward	Name	Description	Year of Retirement
Benenden and Cranbrook	Nancy Warne	Tunbridge Wells Alliance	2024
Culverden	David Osborne	Liberal Democrats	2024
Frittenden & Sissinghurst	Andy Fairweather	Conservative Party	2024
Goudhurst & Lamberhurst	Alison Webster	Tunbridge Wells Alliance	2024
Hawkhurst & Sandhurst	Godfrey Bland	Conservative Party	2024
Paddock Wood East Ward	Rodney Atkins	Independent	2024
Paddock Wood West Ward	Mark Munday	Liberal Democrats	2024
Pantiles & St Marks	Pamela Wilkinson	Liberal Democrats	2024
Park	Siobhan O'Connell	Tunbridge Wells Alliance	2024
Pembury	David Hayward	Tunbridge Wells Alliance	2024

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Rusthall	Jayne Sharratt	Labour	2024
Sherwood	Hugo Pound	Labour	2024
Southborough and High Brooms	John Francis	Labour	2024
Southborough North	Joe Opara	Liberal Democrats	2024
Speldhurst and Bidborough	Paul Curry	Tunbridge Wells Alliance	2024
St John's	Marguerita Morton	Liberal Democrats	2024

## Appointments to Committees

For Full Council on Wednesday 24 May 2023

### Procedural Item

Report to Follow.

## Urgent Business

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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### Procedural Item

To consider any other items which the Mayor decides are urgent, for the reasons to be stated, in accordance with Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

## Common Seal of the Council

For Full Council on 24 May 2022

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### Procedural Item

To authorise the Common Seal of the Council to be affixed to any contract, minute, notice or other document arising out of the minutes, or pursuant to any delegation, authority or power conferred by the Council.

## Date of Next Meeting

For Full Council on 24 May 2023

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## Procedural Item

To note that the next scheduled meeting is Wednesday 5 July 2023.