

Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held at Tetbury Town Council, The Old Court House, 63 Long Street, Tetbury Monday 18th August 2025 at 6.30pm

Present:

Town Councillors: Steve Scott (Mayor) Mark Baker (Deputy Mayor), Ian Watson, Suzanne Sanderson,

Zowie Baker, Patricia Burrell, Nikki Ind, Colin Pearce, Rodney Smith and Judith Taylor.

Officers: T Niblett (CEO (Chief Executive Officer)) V Bolwell (EO (Executive Officer))

Public: Two

TC01. 08/25 To receive and accept any apologies for absence.

Cllr Xam Macutay-Malloch – Work – received and accepted. Cllr Alison Figueiredo – Personal -received and accepted. Cllr Liz Farnham – Work – received and accepted.

TC02. 08/25 To receive declarations of interest in connection with agenda items as shown and not already stated on Register of Interests.

None.

TC03. 08/25 Public Consultation.

None.

Cllr Kevin Painter arrived at 18:41 and chose to sit in the public seating area, declining the invitation to join the council table.

TC04. 08/25 To discuss and approve the issuing of Poll Cards for the forthcoming by-election, following the formal request for an election to be held.

The Council discussed the matter in depth, with particular attention given to the potential costs involved, especially if Tetbury were to be warded in future. During the discussion, Cllr J Taylor expressed concern about the financial impact of councillor resignations on the public purse. Cllr N Ind highlighted that poll cards are an essential part of the democratic process, ensuring that all eligible residents have the opportunity to vote.

It was proposed by Councillor Zowie Baker and seconded by Councillor Colin Pearce to approve the issuing of poll cards for the forthcoming by-election, following the formal request for an election to be held.

Voting record	For 6	Against 4	Abstain 0	Absent 4
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TC05. 08/25 To note the dates and time of the Full Council meeting, Monday 15th September 2025, 7pm.

Noted.