

ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY 2023

PC 32/23: Town Clerk's update

1. PSPO CONSULTATION

We have been notified that two Public Space Protection Orders are due to expire in town October 2023, and MCC ASB Officer Andrew Mason has asked me to share the following:

“The two PSPOs (Public Space Protection Orders) that are currently in force in Bailey Park and Lower Abergavenny (Castle Meadow) are due to expire in October 2023.

These orders originated as Designated Public Place Orders and converted to PSPOs in 2014 with new legislation. They are three year orders and were successfully renewed in 2017 and 2020. The orders are concerned in the control of alcohol when it has caused ASB (Anti-social Behaviour), is causing ASB or likely to cause ASB.

We would like to consult with your Town Council as to whether they support renewing these two orders again in October 2023.

If you require further information or would like myself and John to attend one of your meetings to discuss further we would be happy to do so.

The police are keen to keep them going and we will consult more widely with the community of Abergavenny in due course.”

We have a walking meeting with both Andrew Mason and John Crandon on Monday 22nd May at 4:30pm to discuss issues around anti-social behaviour so this may be an opportunity to ask them about these orders and their continuation.

2. THE BIG TEA 5TH JULY 2023

To mark the 75th Birthday of the NHS, the NHS Charities Together are encouraging communities to come together and have a cuppa to celebrate the day. They are asking for communities to do this anytime during the week of 3rd – 7th July. Our next People and Communities Meeting coincides with the actual date of 5th July, so Councillors may wish to come into the building earlier and offer ‘tea and cake’ to people between 3pm – 5pm to celebrate the milestone.

Another suggestion would be to do a 'Walk of Thanks' from the Town Hall around the town, whether it be a parade which could involve schools and community groups, though this will need to be resourced and managed accordingly.

3. GWENT POLICE PRESENTATION

Due to the pending walking meeting with MCC and local officers from Gwent Police on 22nd May, it was felt that it would be better suited to invite Jodie Davies and John Williams to this than limit them to 15 minutes at the start of our People and Communities Meeting. The Town Clerk has asked if they would be able to attend the meeting on 22nd May instead, and awaits a response to this.