



UPTON-UPON-SEVERN TOWN COUNCIL

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HIGH STREET TOILETS PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING

A Public Consultation meeting, open to all Upton Domestic Council Taxpayers, will be held on:

**Tuesday 9th January 2007
at 7:30 pm in the
Memorial Hall.**

BACKGROUND

In the spring of 2006, Malvern Hills District Council closed Upton's High Street toilets as a cost-cutting measure.

Upton Town Council is negotiating for the possible transfer of the toilets from the District Council to the Town Council. The terms of such a transfer have yet to be agreed. It is still possible that the District Council may re-open the toilets and maintain them independently of the Town Council, after the elections in May, or as the result of a legal obligation.

Because of the current uncertainty, the Town Council has provisionally decided to include an additional sum of £14,000 in its budget for financial year 2007/08. The money would be used to pay for the day-to-day cleaning & maintenance of the High Street toilets, should they become the Town's responsibility.

The £14,000 provision for the toilets would result in additional council tax, falling solely on the domestic taxpayers of Upton.

Before finalising its budget, the Town Council has decided to hold this public consultation meeting. When it meets to decide the precept for 2007/08 on 16th January, the Council will take into account the views of domestic council tax payers expressed at this consultation meeting.

AGENDA

- 1 Introductory remarks (Town Mayor)
- 2 Financial background (Finance Committee Chairman)
- 3 Public participation

Cllr. J Thompson
Town Mayor