

WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL

SUNDRY POLICIES

These policies cover matters that have been approved by the Town Council in the course of its business and are not covered by standing orders, financial regulations and other policy documents.

1. ALLOTMENTS

Costs of operating allotments should be covered by the rent received from allotment holders.

In their first season there should be no rent charge to new tenants to reflect work in establishing a plot.

A bond to be payable by all new tenants relating to the plot to be retained if the plot is not returned on the termination of the tenancy in a suitable condition.

Tenancies to be available to residents outside Wantage parish if there is no waiting list for residents within parish.

2. VC FORECOURT AND MARKET

Use of forecourt available to charities and community organisations on Saturdays, for fundraising and promotion, at a fee of £5 for whole area and £3 for half area (purpose of charge is to establish right of use and avoid conflict).

Street Collection is not permitted on Town Council property which is defined as the statue area, adjoining car parks and Victoria Cross Gallery Forecourt in the Market Place. The Town Council has no objection to the pavements around the Market Place or Town Centre being used provided that an appropriate Street Collection Licence is in force.

Public information stalls to be allowed on the VC forecourt or market area at the Clerk's discretion.

Delegated authority given to the Town Mayor, Chairman of Leisure and Amenities Committee and Clerk, in consultation, to approve specialist markets and other occasional requests relating to use of Council land in the Market Place.

3. CHAIN HILL CEMETERY

Only residents from Wantage to be buried at the cemetery. Exceptions are made for elderly former residents who have moved away from the parish for care purposes. Exceptions to be agreed by Town Mayor, Chairman of Leisure and Amenities Committee and Clerk, in consultation.

4. FAIRS

No living creatures to be sold or given as prizes at fairs.

No rides of excessive height or intimidating to the public by size or mass to be permitted.

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5. DAYS FOR HOISTING FLAGS ON WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL FLAGPOLES

The Wyvern flags will be flown on days when other flags are not specified. Display of two flags on a single flagpole must be done in accordance with [The Town and Country Planning \(Control of Advertisements\) \(England\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 – Plain English Guidance](#)

UNION FLAG (Both flagpoles to fly Union Flag (Schedule 1 Flag), unless *inferior* flag of the day present)

06 February	-	Her Majesty's Accession
March	-	Commonwealth Day (second Monday in March) (<i>Commonwealth – Schedule 1 Flag</i>)
21 April	-	Birthday of Her Majesty the Queen
23 April	-	St. George's Day (<i>St George's Cross - Schedule 1 Flag</i>)
02 June	-	Coronation Day
June	-	Official celebration of Her Majesty's birthday
November	-	Remembrance Day (11th and Sunday)
14 November	-	Birthday of the Prince of Wales

WHITE ENSIGN (Schedule 1 Flag)

21 October	-	Trafalgar Day (<i>Wyvern</i>)
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RAF ENSIGN (Schedule 1 Flag)

September	-	Battle of Britain Day (15th and Sunday) (<i>Wyvern</i>)
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ARMED FORCES DAY FLAG (Schedule 1 Flag)

June	-	Armed Forces Day (Last Saturday)
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PRIDE FLAG (Schedule 3 Flag)

June	-	Date to be agreed
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6. NOTICE BOARDS

Local events in Wantage parish to be given priority over those outside the parish with a restriction of 10-mile radius.

7. SHOP SIGNAGE IN MARKET PLACE CONSERVATION AREA

Must be hand painted on wood. Not internally illuminated.
