

COUNCIL

9 NOVEMBER 2023

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman's Visits and Functions Attended

1. A list of functions attended by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of Council since the last meeting is attached.

Royal Visit to the County

2. HRH The Princess Royal visited Malvern Hills Citizens Advice on Friday, 3 November 2023.

3. The Chairman was presented to HRH and remained with the Royal Party throughout the morning.

Worcestershire County Council Shortlisted for Net Zero Award

4. Worcestershire County Council has been shortlisted for an EDIE Net Zero Award in the 'Energy Efficiency Project of the Year' category. The award submission was based on the net zero support programmes, with a focus on energy efficiency.

5. The EDIT Net Zero Awards recognised and rewards individuals and organisations that are leading the transition towards a net zero urban economy.

6. Using European and UK Government funding, the County Council has been running business support programmes, providing free advice and grants for energy efficiency, renewable energy and developing and commercialising new low carbon products and services. This support is continuing with the Government and County Council funded Net Zero Worcestershire Programmes for local Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs).

7. The winners of the awards will be announced at a ceremony on 15 November 2023.

Remembrance Service at County Hall

8. The Chairman will be holding a Remembrance Service at 11.00am on Friday 10 November 2023 at County Hall. Due to the current restrictions, the Service will take place by the lake at the rear of the building.

9. A choir from South Bromsgrove High School will be singing prior to the Service, so it would be appreciated if people could gather in good time before the commencement of the Service, from 10.30am onwards.

10. Children from Perryfields PRU are also attending the Service to observe as part of their current Remembrance project.

11. Also attending will be representatives of the Royal British Legion and our local regimental associations, together with civic guests.

12. The Chairman hopes that councillors and officers can join him in honouring the fallen and those who continue to protect us.

Contact Points

Specific Contact Points for this report

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