

# BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL



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## Bridgnorth Town Council Information

The information within this document is provided to potential candidates as background information on Bridgnorth Town Council.

The Town Council has a website, link below:

<https://www.bridgnorthtowncouncil.gov.uk/>

### **General Information:**

A local council is a universal term for community, neighbourhood parish and town councils, and is governed by the Local Government Act 1972.

A Town and Parish Council, such as Bridgnorth Town Council, is the first tier of local government – it is a statutory body. It is independently elected and raises its own precept (a form of council tax).

Bridgnorth Town Council can help on local issues, such as planning applications, managing local recreation areas – parks and open spaces, markets, buildings, cemeteries, plus other services.

The Town Council is administered from its offices at College House, St Leonard's Close, Bridgnorth under the leadership of the Town Clerk.

The Town Council has sixteen members (Councillors) who represent the four wards of the town, namely Castle Ward, East Ward, West Ward and Morfe Ward in an equal distribution.

There is one meeting per month of the whole Council on the third Tuesday in each month (excluding August) at 6.45pm, when the first fifteen minutes of each meeting is set aside to allow for questions from members of the public.

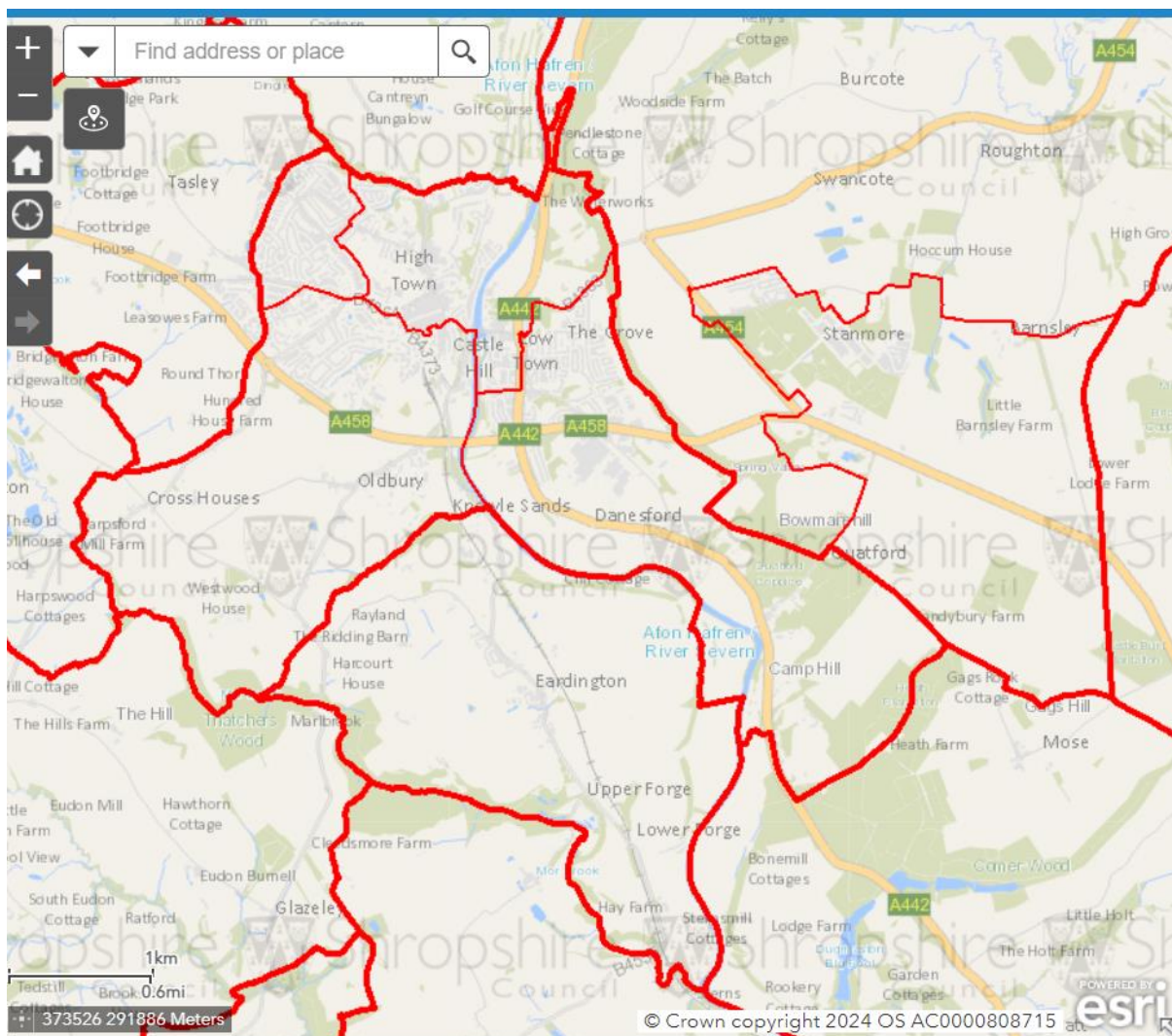
The Town Council has seventeen members of staff headed up by the Town Clerk, who deliver the day-to-day function of the town council and its services.

The services delivered by Bridgnorth Town Council include:

- Town Council meetings of Full Council and Committees
- Town Council buildings including bookings at certain venues
- Public Toilets
- Parks and Open Spaces

- Market held on Friday and Saturday under the Town Hall
- Allotments
- Cemetery
- Bus Shelters (some within the parish area)
- Footway Lighting (some within the parish area)
- CCTV
- Maintaining the environment around the parish area
- Events including the Christmas Lights Switch-on
- Statutory and non-statutory consultee with the principal council – Shropshire Council
- Providing grants

Map of Bridgnorth and some surrounding parishes:



Bridgnorth has a population of 12,182 (2021 census).