

Western Counties Regional Conference
The Town Hall, Wells, Somerset
Saturday 1 March 2008

Agenda

10:00 **Welcome** Peter Ellis
Chair of Western Counties
Alan Gloak
Chair of Somerset County Council

10.15 **Council Forum** Chair Shirley Holloway
Tim Carroll South Somerset DC
Steve Comer Bristol City Council
Jeremy Hilton Gloucester CC + City
Claire Hudson Mendip DC
Roger Symonds ALDC

Achievements and challenges in local government

11.05 **Workshops**

E campaigning Parke Room
Roger Symonds ALDC
Find out about websites and e-campaigning

Campaigning in the Council Chamber Council Chamber
Cathy Bakewell IDeA
How to campaign through the Council

Ten things to do this Summer Main Hall
Tim Pollard Western Counties Campaigns Officer
Tips on preparing for elections next year

12.05 **Just a Minute** Chair John Thomson

Any delegate can speak for 1 minute on a topic of their choice.

12.20 **Saving Our Post Offices** David Heath MP

The campaign to save post offices under threat of closure

12 .45 **Photo** outside Town Hall
Please will everyone assemble outside the Town Hall

No Policy or business Motions were submitted for debate

Refreshments

Lunch (pre-booked) will be served at the back of the Main Conference Hall
Tea / Coffee will be available in the bar from 9.30

Just a Minute

Any delegate can speak for 1 minute on a topic of their choice.
There will be no vote and no questions but hopefully it will lead to
conversations over lunch
Topics will be chosen from those submitted to the Speakers Table by 12.00

Photo outside the Town Hall

Please would everyone go outside the Town Hall at 12.55 for a photo and to
demonstrate against the Post Office closures

Parking in Wells There is no parking at the Town Hall but car parks within a few
minutes walk at Chamberlain St South Street Union St
all £5.00 for over 4 hours
Princes St £10 for over 4 hours

Further out there is free off street parking but there is a 1 - 2 hour limit near the town centre
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