

Agenda Item 10

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 8TH JULY 2024

Rural Services Network - Rural Market Towns Group

This is a network of rural town councils set up by Rural Services Network (RSN).

The aim is to provide a stronger voice for towns and parishes to encourage government to take more account of the specific needs of rural communities, including fairer funding.

Benefits of Membership

- . Online events
- . Weekly rural bulletin
- . Monthly Funding Digest sets out a range of grant opportunities
- . Rural Market Town Group newsletter 6 times a year focussing on
- key issues for market towns and good practice examples
- . Area profile with key statistics
- . Updates on the RSN Fair Funding Campaign.
- . Two hosted Councillor meetings a year for networking & discussion
- . One Clerks meeting a year
- . Free access to the RSN seminar programme
- . RSN facebook group

A link to the website is given below: <u>https://www.rsnonline.org.uk/</u>

The membership fee for the current year would be £137.

The Council is asked if it wishes to become a member of the Rural Services Network Rural Market Towns Group.