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To the Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **COUNCIL** to be held at these Offices on Wednesday, 27 June 2001 at 6.00 p.m. for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda.

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AGENDA

- 1. Apologies.
- 2. To receive any declarations of either pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest which Members may wish to make.
- 3. To confirm the Minutes of the special meeting of the Council held on 17 May 2001.
- 4. To receive such announcements or communications as the Chairman may wish to make or lay before the Council.
- 5. To answer questions asked pursuant to Standing Order Nos. 6(4) and 7.
- 6. To receive and consider any recommendations of Committees and to pass such resolutions thereon as may be deemed necessary. For ease of reference, these recommendations are set out on the green pages in the agenda.

7. Notices of Motion under Standing Order 4(1)

Councillor P A Watkins has given formal notice that he will propose the following motion:-

"That this Council urge the Secretary of State for Health to review the current re-organisation plans for East Kent Hospitals. This Council invite all East Kent Councils, Kent County Council and the two Community Health Councils to support this call. That the review be comprehensive to include all community hospitals and associated mental health facilities.

Following a petition by Consultants and junior hospital doctors working

throughout East Kent Hospitals declaring that Accident and Emergency Departments are at present unsafe to provide patients with proper medical care and that constant bed shortages experienced throughout East Kent's three acute hospitals exacerbate this problem, this Council calls upon the Secretary of State for Health to commission an independent review of East Kent Hospitals Trust re-organisation and business plans and report directly to him with recommendations [open to public access] assessing current and future bed and A& E capacity based on continually increasing hospital admission pressures.

That no further downgrading of Kent and Canterbury Hospital take place until the results of this independent assessment have been given full public scrutiny.

That ambulance protocols for admission to acute hospitals be again re-stated and greater use of Minor Injury Units such as Buckland and Deal be encouraged.

That the future management of Buckland Hospital and Folkestone Hospital be transferred to newly created Primary Care Trusts where more identifiable assessments of local needs can be met and commissioned."

8. To consider any other items of business deemed by the Chairman of the Council to be urgent in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

9. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the following Committees:	9.	To receive and adopt the Minutes of the following Committees:
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(NB: The matters referred to in the Minutes marked with an asterisk were considered in private.)

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