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To the Members of the Council,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **COUNCIL** to be held in the Council Chamber at these Offices on Wednesday 23 July 2014 at 6.00 pm for the transaction of the business set out in the Agenda.

Chief Executive

# Members of the Council:

S R Nicholas (Chairman)	M R Eddy	K E Morris
P S Le Chevalier (Vice-Chairman)	R J Frost	M J Ovenden
J S Back	B Gardner	A S Pollitt
B W Bano	J H Goodwin	J A Rook
T J Bartlett	D Hannent	M A Russell
P M Beresford	P J Hawkins	F J W Scales
T A Bond	P G Heath	A R Smith
P M Brivio	G J Hood	C J Smith
B W Butcher	S J Jones	J M Smith
P I Carter	L A Keen	R J Thompson
S S Chandler	N S Kenton	J F Tranter
N J Collor	S M Le Chevalier	R S Walkden
M D Conolly	G Lymer	P Walker
G Cowan	S C Manion	P M Wallace
J A Cronk	K Mills	P A Watkins

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1 **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

# 2 **MINUTES** (Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm the attached Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council (attached) and the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council (to follow) held on 14 May 2014.

# 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 11)

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.

## 4 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or Head of Paid Service.

# 5 THANET PARKWAY PRESENTATION

To receive a presentation in respect of Thanet Parkway from Kent County Council.

## 6 **LEADER'S TIME**

To receive an oral report at the meeting from the Leader (and Cabinet) on the business of the Executive or on any topic or subject that it is felt should be brought to the attention of the Council.

(Up to fifteen minutes is allowed for the Report of the Leader (and Cabinet), up to ten minutes is allowed for the Leader of the Major Opposition Group (or his nominee) to respond, up to five minutes is allowed for the Leader of any other Opposition Group (or his nominee) to respond. The Leader is allowed up to five minutes as a Right of Reply or 25% of the time given to the Opposition Group Leaders, whichever is the greatest.)

# 7 SEAT ALLOCATION AND GROUP APPOINTMENTS

To receive from Group Leaders any changes to seat allocations or appointments.

(Note: Any changes must be within the approved allocation of seats to political groups in accordance with the political balance rules (where applicable).)

# 8 **STATE OF THE DISTRICT 2014** (Pages 12 - 207)

The Cabinet at its meeting on 7 July 2014 considered the attached report of the Leader of the Council upon the State of the District 2014. The Cabinet recommended the following to Council:

"It was agreed to recommend to Council that the annual State of the District report, and the actions being taken through the Corporate Plan 2012-2016 and Cabinet, be noted."

#### 9 INDIVIDUAL ELECTORAL REGISTRATION (IER)

To receive a presentation from the Head of Democratic Services.

# 10 <u>REMUNERATION ARRANGEMENTS FOR INDEPENDENT AND SUBSTITUTE</u> INDEPENDENT PERSON

To consider the report of the Director of Governance (to follow).

#### 11 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

Up to 60 minutes is allowed for this part of the meeting unless extended by the Chairman of Council on a motion moved, duly seconded and approved by the Council. Members may ask one supplementary question in addition to their original question.

To receive answers in respect of questions from Members of the Council to a Member of the Executive asked in accordance with Rule 12 of the Council Procedure Rules.

(1) Councillor P Walker will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning:

How are priorities for dealing with Planning Applications decided upon?

(2) Councillor P A Walker will ask the Portfolio Holder for Skills, Training, Tourism and Culture:

How much has been spent exclusively on Tourism in the current financial year, and how much was spent in the previous year?

(3) Councillor G Cowan will ask the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management:

Can the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management list all those council owned properties within the St Margaret's parish council area which have been sold or for which offers have been received in the last two years?

(4) Councillor B Gardner will ask the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management:

Does the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management believe that any lessons have been learnt in the process of providing beach huts on Walmer Beach?

(5) Councillor B W Bano will ask the Portfolio Holder for Health, Well-being and Public Protection:

Could the Portfolio Holder for Health and Public Protection report on the progress in the District regarding the Kent and Medway Suicide Prevention Strategy, with particular reference to Young People, and in doing so can he inform the Council about the mechanisms in place locally to implement the strategy and how successful have these been?

#### 12 **MOTIONS**

(1) In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, Councillor P A Watkins will move:

"This Council supports the campaign to retain Manston as an operational airport, recognising the role and place it can have in the UK aviation industry, making better use of regional capacity in accordance with the views of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership, while making a significant contribution as one of the strategic priorities for regeneration of the East Kent area."

(2) In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, Councillor B W Bano will move:

"Given Dover's position as the Gateway to Europe by land, sea and air, this Council views with concern the prospect of the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union which will have a devastating impact on inward investment into the District and on the wider East Kent economy. The recent closure of Manston airport highlights the need to be actively and positively engaged with the EU which has a major role to play in the maintenance and development of crucial international transport infrastructure."

## 13 **URGENT BUSINESS TIME**

To consider any other items deemed by the Chairman of the Council to be urgent in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.

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