

Democratic Services White Cliffs Business Park Dover Kent CT16 3PJ

Telephone: (01304) 821199 Fax: (01304) 872452

DX: 6312

Minicom: (01304) 820115 Website: www.dover.gov.uk e-mail: democraticservices

@dover.gov.uk

20 January 2015

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 28 January 2015 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) P S Le Chevalier (Vice-Chairman) J S Back B W Bano T J Bartlett P M Beresford T A Bond P M Brivio B W Butcher P I Carter S S Chandler N J Collor M D Conolly	M R Eddy R J Frost B Gardner J H Goodwin D Hannent P J Hawkins P G Heath G J Hood S J Jones L A Keen N S Kenton S M Le Chevalier G Lymer	K E Morris M J Ovenden A S Pollitt J A Rook M A Russell F J W Scales A R Smith C J Smith J M Smith R J Thompson J F Tranter R S Walkden P Walker
M D Conolly G Cowan	G Lymer S C Manion	P Walker P M Wallace
J A Cronk	K Mills	P A Watkins

# **AGENDA**

# 1 **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

# 2 <u>MINUTES</u> (Pages 8 - 14)

To confirm the attached Minutes of the meeting held on 26 November 2014.

# 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 15)

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 **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.)

# 6 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

To receive answers in respect of questions from the public to Members of the Executive asked in accordance with Rule 11 of the Council Procedure Rules.

(A maximum of three minutes is allowed for the question to be read. Up to 15 minutes is allowed for this part of the meeting. Members of the public may ask one supplementary question in addition to their original question. Afterwards any other Member, at the Chairman's discretion, may speak for up to two minutes on a question or reply.)

There were no questions received.

# 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 **COUNCIL TAX BASE 2015/16** (Pages 16 - 21)

To consider the attached report of the Director of Finance, Housing and Community.

# 9 ADOPTION BY THE COUNCIL OF BYELAWS FOR THE REGULATION OF ACUPUNCTURE, TATTOOING, SEMI-PERMANENT SKIN COLOURING, COSMETIC PIERCING AND ELECTROLYSIS (Pages 22 - 33)

To consider the attached report of the Director of Governance.

# 10 <u>ADOPTION OF THE DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL LAND ALLOCATIONS LOCAL</u> <u>PLAN</u> (Pages 34 - 508)

To consider the attached report of the Chief Executive.

# 11 WORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Pages 509 - 530)

The Cabinet at its meeting on 1 December 2014 considered the attached report of the Chief Executive upon the Worth Neighbourhood Development Plan. The Cabinet recommended the following to Council:

- "(a) That the Worth Neighbourhood Development Plan, as set out at Appendix 1 of the report, be made part of the Development Plan for the Worth Neighbourhood Area, in accordance with Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- (b) That the 'Decision Statement', as set out at Appendix 2 of the report, be published in accordance with Section 38A(9)(10) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012."

# 12 <u>ESTABLISHMENT OF EAST KENT SERVICES COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATED</u> <u>ARRANGEMENTS</u> (Pages 531 - 567)

The Cabinet at its meeting on 5 January 2015 considered the attached report of the Director of Governance upon the Establishment of East Kent Services Committee and Associated Arrangements.

The Cabinet recommended the following to Council:

- "(a) That the operating arrangements, terms of reference and rules of procedure (at Schedules 1 and 2 of the report) for a new joint committee, to be known as the East Kent Services Committee, be approved.
- (b) That the Protocol on Scrutiny of the East Kent Services Committee, set out at Schedule 3 of the report, be adopted.
- (c) That the collaboration objectives and partnership values set out at Schedule 4 of the report be reaffirmed.
- (d) That Councillors P A Watkins and M D Conolly be appointed to the East Kent Services Committee, with Councillors S S Chandler and N S Kenton as substitute executive members. Thereafter the Council will appoint members in accordance with the constitution.
- (e) That the arrangements for the discharge of functions and delegations contained in Schedule 5 of the report be approved.
- (f) That the Chief Executive be authorised to discharge the powers and functions as described in the section of the report headed 'The Proposed Collaboration Agreement', together with any other functions as may be appropriate to ascribe to him in the proposed collaboration agreement.

- (g) That the revised arrangements at (a) to (f) above be effective from 10.30 am on 11 February 2015, subject to the Cabinets and Councils of each of the authorities having made the decisions set out at (a) to (h) in identical terms.
- (h) That the Chief Executive be authorised to approve, on behalf of the Council, a collaboration agreement incorporating the above resolutions and any other necessary terms to ensure the efficient and equitable delivery of the collaboration objectives and partnership values as set out in the report."

# 13 **SCHEME OF OFFICER DELEGATIONS** (Pages 568 - 569)

To consider the report of the Director of Governance.

### 14 **SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY FOR MEMBERS** (Pages 570 - 578)

The Governance Committee at its meeting on 4 December 2014 and the Standards Committee at its meeting on 17 December 2014 considered the attached report of the Director of Governance upon the Social Media Policy for Members. The following is recommended to Council:

# Governance Committee – 4 December 2014 (Minute No. 42)

"That it be recommended to Council that the Social Media Policy for Members be approved and incorporated into the Council's Constitution."

# Standards Committee – 17 December 2014

"That it be recommended to Council:

- (c) That the Social Media Policy for Members, be approved and be incorporated into the Council's Constitution.
- (d) That the Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer is authorised to make minor changes to the policy to reflect legislative changes."

# 15 **DRAFT PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2015/16** (Pages 579 - 582)

To consider the report of the Director of Governance.

# 16 **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.

## (a) To the Executive

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 J Hawkins will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

"Local residents are becoming impatient at the apparent lack of progress in bringing the former Regent Cinema on Deal seafront back into use. The Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management told us in September that the owners were preparing a revised planning application. In early December, the Portfolio Holder for Access and Property Management advised me that the owners were "in discussions with our officers on some changes to the planning permission". I know the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning has been included in the loop regarding this. Will the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning inform the Council when he expects to see positive movement towards the building being open and available for community use?"

(2) Councillor A S Pollitt will ask the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance, Councillor M D Conolly:

"Could the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance inform the Council what measures have been taken by Dover District Council to ban payday loan advertising sites from the council's entire computer network and what action has been taken to lobby Kent County Council to do the same for all computers accessed in KCC libraries and schools?"

(3) Councillor P M Wallace will ask the

"According to a survey conducted by the Sunday Telegraph, at least 30 Conservative-led local authorities are planning to reject demands to freeze council tax rates this year. Will Dover District Council be one of them?"

(4) Councillor M R Eddy will ask the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Public Protection, Councillor P G Heath:

"Could the Portfolio Holder for Health, Well-Being and Public Protection inform the Council of the number of vehicle fires in the Dover District area over calendar years 2012, 2013 and 2014 and the time of day when the Fire and Rescue Service attended? Could he also inform the Council of the Fire and Rescue Service's views on the cause of these fires?"

(5) Councillor A S Pollitt will ask the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Public Protection, Councillor P G Heath:

"Could the Portfolio Holder for Health, Well-Being and Public Performance inform the Council if there has been an increase in public health funerals in the past 2 years in the Dover District Council area? There are media reports that there is a growing trend for public health funerals across the country. In his response, could he give local and national figures and inform the Council whether he expects that there will be a growing trend of public health funerals, which will have a bearing on future budgets?"

### 17 **MOTIONS**

Motions for which notice has been given are listed on the agenda in the order in which notice was received, unless the Member giving notice states, in writing, that they propose to move it at a later meeting or withdraw it.

If a Motion set out in the agenda is not moved by the Member who gave notice thereof it shall, unless postponed by consent of the Council, be treated as withdrawn and shall not be moved without fresh notice.

A Motion must be about matters for which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the District.

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

"In view of the successful "Selective Licensing" schemes for the registration of private landlords, particularly in London and more locally in parts of Thanet, this Council calls on Cabinet to draw up plans to implement a similar scheme in this district as soon as possible in order to drive up the quality of privately rented housing available to our residents."

(2) In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, Councillor P M Wallace will move:

"In the interests of transparency and improved decision making, this Council instructs officers to develop proposals for introducing 30 minute Public and Member Question Time sessions in the meetings of Cabinet and Council committees, thereby improving participation in the decision-making processes of this Council."

#### 18 **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.

# **Access to Meetings and Information**

- Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Council, its Committees and Sub-Committees. You may remain present throughout them except during the consideration of exempt or confidential information.
- All meetings are held at the Council Offices, Whitfield unless otherwise indicated on the front page of the agenda. There is disabled access via the Council Chamber entrance and a disabled toilet is available in the foyer. In addition, there is a PA system and hearing loop within the Council Chamber.
- Agenda papers are published five clear working days before the meeting. Alternatively, a limited supply of agendas will be available at the meeting, free of charge, and all agendas, reports and minutes can be viewed and downloaded from our website www.dover.gov.uk. Minutes will be published on our website as soon as practicably possible after each meeting. All agenda papers and minutes are available for public inspection for a period of six years from the date of the meeting.
- If you require any further information about the contents of this agenda or your right

to gain access to information held by the Council please contact Rebecca Brough, Team Leader - Democratic Support, telephone: (01304) 872304 or email: rebecca.brough@dover.gov.uk for details.

Large print copies of this agenda can be supplied on request.