

# **Council Meeting**

# Council Offices White Cliffs Business Park Dover

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Summons and Agenda

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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 22 July 2015 at 6.00 pm for the transaction of the business set out in the Agenda.

Chief Executive

## Members of the Council:

S S Chandler (Chairman) D Hannent (Vice-Chairman) J S Back	M R Eddy A Friend R J Frost	S M Le Chevalier S C Manion K Mills
S F Bannister	B Gardner	K E Morris
T J Bartlett	B J Glayzer	D P Murphy
P M Beresford	P J Hawkins	M J Ovenden
T A Bond	P G Heath	A S Pollitt
P M Brivio	J M Heron	G Rapley
B W Butcher	S Hill	A F Richardson
P I Carter	M J Holloway	M Rose
N J Collor	T P Johnstone	D A Sargent
M D Conolly	S J Jones	F J W Scales
M I Cosin	L A Keen	P Walker
D G Cronk	N S Kenton	P M Wallace
N Dixon	P S Le Chevalier	P A Watkins

## **AGENDA**

# 1 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

# 2 <u>MINUTES</u> (Pages 9 - 15)

To confirm the attached Minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2015.

## 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 16)

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.)

- (a) Leader of the Council 15 Minutes
- (b) Leader of the Major Opposition Group (Labour Group) 10 Minutes
- (c) Leader of the Other Opposition Group (UKIP) 5 Minutes
- (d) Leader of the Council's Right of Reply 5 Minutes

## 6 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).)

#### 7 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.)

(1) Mr P Jull will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

"Will this council consult on a Public Spaces Protection Order to make the feeding of birds in Deal town centre an offence subject to a fixed penalty notice in line with littering and dog fouling, as permitted by the Anti Social Behaviour Act 2014?"

# 8 **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) <u>To Chairmen/Vice-Chairmen of Committees</u>

To receive answers in respect of questions from Members of the Council to the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council or the Chairman of any Committee or Sub-Committee asked in accordance with Rule 12 of the Council Procedure Rules.

There were no questions received.

#### (b) 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 A F Richardson will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

"Earlier this year it was reported that an individual received a formal caution after being caught on camera dumping a number of bags of waste in the River Dour. I understand this person was identified following a publicity campaign by the Dover Express.

Does the cabinet member for Environment, Waste and Planning think that a caution was an appropriate response to such a blatant and high profile case of fly tipping?

Does he accept that in fact this was widely seen as a 'slap on the wrist' which completely failed to act as a deterrent to would-be fly tippers across the District?

What assurances can he give that in future cases where fly-tippers are positively identified, a much more robust approach to dealing with them will be adopted?"

(2) Councillor P Walker will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

"It is more than a year since I first referred in this Chamber to there having been over 50 separate conditions set down in relation to planning applications submitted to, and agreed by, this Council for Lydden Racing Circuit. Could the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning outline the progress made in checking upon the implementation of the said conditions and upon how any failures in implementation have been dealt with?"

(3) Councillor P J Hawkins will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment,

Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

"It is now several years since this Council sold off the former Regent Cinema building and, despite questions in full council, nothing appears to happened to the building. Will the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning tell the Council when he expects the owners of the building to submit a planning application relating to this site which is so important to Deal's seafront?"

(4) Councillor P M Brivio will ask the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Wellbeing, Councillor P M Beresford:

"Can the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Well-being inform the Council of the costs of providing temporary accommodation in financial year 2014/15 for those people towards whom the Council has a statutory duty and can she confirm whether this is an increase on the costs incurred during 2013/14?"

(5) Councillor S Hill will ask the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Wellbeing, Councillor P M Beresford:

"Can the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Well-being advise the Council what view Cabinet has taken on the Government's plans to extend Right-to-Buy to Housing Association tenants?"

(6) Councillor M R Eddy will ask the Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance, Councillor M D Conolly:

"During this May's election campaign for Deal Town Council, the Conservative Party issued a leaflet claiming that, from next year, they would initiate annual popular elections for the Mayor of Deal with the candidates being taken from among the elected town councillors. Can the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance inform the Council what the costs of such a Deal-wide plebiscite would be and what additional workload these annual elections would create for this Council's staff?"

(7) Councillor P Walker will ask the Portfolio Holder for Skills, Training, Tourism, Voluntary Services and Community Safety, Councillor K E Morris:

"Tourism is a service which had a listed spend of £42,000 according to recent figures. Does the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for tourism regard this as sufficient, given that tourism provision needs expansion and further encouragement in order to enhance our regeneration efforts?"

(8) Councillor P M Wallace will ask the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Wellbeing, Councillor P M Beresford:

"What consideration has the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Well-being given to the question of whether the authority should introduce a Cumulative Impact Policy covering the number of licensed premises now that public health is a local authority responsibility and Dover has its own Health and Well-being Board?"

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

"Will the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning tell the Council what action our officers are taking to ensure that the nuisance suffered by existing residents living in the area affected by Persimmon's development at Sholden are kept at the absolute minimum?"

#### 9 **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 T P Johnstone will move:

"This Council requests that the Leader writes to the Prime Minister to ascertain the terms of his negotiations with the other member states of the European Union so that residents and businesses within this District, geographically the closest to the European mainland, are fully aware of what is at stake in the proposed referendum on continued membership."

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

"Following the recent spate of highly publicised fly-tipping in Dover District, this council will lobby the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs for more powers to tackle fly-tipping, specifically seeking

- the powers that are currently available in Scotland to hand out onthe-spot fines for fly-tipping, removing the need to seek a prosecution through the Magistrates' Courts;
- (2) the income from any fines to stay in the area to help pay for the cost of cleaning up fly-tipping and enforcement; and
- (3) to tackle the culture of fly-tipping through restorative justice, by

making it compulsory for offenders to spend a set number of hours in a supervised clean-up in the district, so offenders learn about the damaging effects of spoiling the environment."

# 10 KENT AND MEDWAY LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP AND KENT AND MEDWAY GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE FRAMEWORK (Pages 17 - 51)

To consider the attached report of the Head of Inward Investment.

#### 11 **REVISION TO CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS** (Pages 52 - 71)

To consider the attached report of the Director of Governance.

# 12 POLICY FOR LONG SERVICE AWARDS TO ELECTED MEMBERS OF DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL (Pages 72 - 77)

To consider the attached report of the Director of Governance.

# 13 <u>CONSULTATION UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 - STATEMENT OF POLICY AND PRINCIPLES</u>

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

#### 14 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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