



# **Council Meeting**

**Council Offices  
White Cliffs Business Park  
Dover**

Wednesday, 30 September 2015

Summons and Agenda

**Nadeem Aziz**  
Chief Executive





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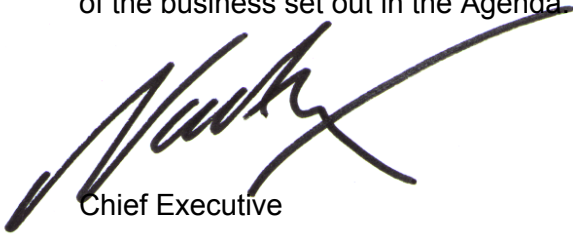
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To the Members of the Council,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **COUNCIL** to be held in the Council Chamber at these Offices on Wednesday 30 September 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)	M R Eddy	S M Le Chevalier
D Hannent (Vice-Chairman)	A Friend	S C Manion
J S Back	R J Frost	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 **MINUTES** (Pages 8 - 17)

To confirm the attached Minutes of the meeting held on 22 July 2015.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 18)

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 **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 so long as it arises directly out of the original question or the reply. Afterwards any other Member at the Chairman's discretion, may speak for up to two minutes on a question or reply.

- (1) Mrs Helen Williams will ask the Leader of the Council, Councillor P A Watkins:

“What action is Dover District Council taking to support Syrian refugees in line with the latest Government initiative, and in line with the 40 other Councils which have already declared their support in welcoming refugees?”

7 **REVISED TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2015/16** (Pages 19 - 35)

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

The Cabinet at its meeting held on 7 September 2015 made the following recommendation (CAB29):

“It was agreed to recommend to Council that the revised 2015/16 Treasury Management Strategy Statement be approved.”

## 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) To Chairmen/Vice-Chairmen of Committees

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 for the Chairman of the Council, a Committee or Sub-Committee.

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

“What effect does the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Wellbeing think the government’s decision to freeze rents for social housing will have on the ability of East Kent Housing to maintain and carry our improvements to council stock?”

- (2) Councillor M R Eddy will ask the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning, Councillor N S Kenton:

“Can the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Waste and Planning inform the Council of Kent County Council’s policy towards members of the public who chose to take a couple of bags of recycling on foot to the Civic Amenity sites rather than using their car to do so?”

- (3) Councillor P M Wallace will ask the Portfolio Holder for Access and Licensing, Councillor N J Collor:

“The RAC’s 2015 shows that a majority of Britain’s motorists consider that the state of the country’s roads are getting worse, with potholes and general road repairs topping the list of complaints from road users. Can the Portfolio Holder for Access and Licensing inform the Council what steps is DDC taking to ensure that the roads in Dover District are improving rather than deteriorating?”

- (4) Councillor L A Keen will ask the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance, Councillor M D Conolly:

“Will the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources and Performance

join me in welcoming the comprehensive training provided for all recently elected councilors and will he outline how he proposes to review the impact of the training on the work of the Council and feed the results of that review into further enhancement of future training provision?"

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

"As a number of my constituents are concerned by the current Government's plan to privatize parts of our National Health Service, could the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Health and Wellbeing inform this Council who owns the land and buildings of the Buckland Hospital in Dover and the Victoria Memorial hospital in Deal?"

- (6) Councillor D A Sargent will ask the Portfolio Holder for Property Management and Public Protection, Councillor T J Bartlett:

"It has been reported in the national press that some local authorities are switching off their CCTV cameras to save money. Could the Portfolio Holder for Property Management and Public Protection inform the Council whether there are plans to do the same in this district?"

- (7) Councillor S Hill will ask the Portfolio Holder for Property Management and Public Protection, Councillor T J Bartlett:

"Can the Portfolio Holder for Property Management and Public Protection assure the Council that the 11 public conveniences currently being cleaned by Dover District Council contractors on behalf of 7 town and parish councils at a cost of £123,450 last year are up to the standard of cleanliness, safety and sanitation that he would expect for that amount of expense?"

9 **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).)

10 **OPERATION STACK AND MANSTON UPDATE**

To receive an update in respect of Operation Stack and Manston.

11 **MEMBER AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS** (Pages 36 - 59)

To consider the attached report of the Director of Governance.

The recommendations of the Governance Committee at its meeting held on 22 September 2015 are to follow.

12 **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.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, Councillor S F Bannister will move:

"This Council is extremely concerned by the proposals to use the former Manston airport site for parking of lorries when the cross-Channel routes are blocked for any reason, as they were this summer. The Council believes, on the basis of sound local knowledge, that this proposal will only lead to a worsening of the traffic chaos caused by Operation Stack and to the disruption of residents' lives and livelihoods throughout this district and elsewhere in East Kent. This Council resolves to express its disquiet at the proposals in the strongest possible terms to Government and Kent County Council."

### 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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