Lewes District Council



Council Agenda
Thursday, 21 July 2016

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Council Meeting

Councillors are kindly requested to switch off their mobile 'phones and other mobile devices prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Note: At the commencement of the meeting the Chair will ask for a period of silence to enable councillors to focus their thoughts on the meeting or to pray silently.

To all Members of the Council

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, St Annes Crescent, Lewes BN7 1UE on Thursday, 21 July 2016 at 18:00 which you are requested to attend. Please note the start time and that the venue for this meeting is wheelchair accessible and has an induction loop to help people who are hearing impaired.

This meeting may be filmed, recorded or broadcast by any person or organisation. Anyone wishing to film or record must notify the Chair prior to the start of the meeting. Members of the public attending the meeting are deemed to have consented to be filmed or recorded, as liability for this is not within the Council's control.

Agenda

1 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council dated 11 May 2016 (copy previously circulated).

2 Apologies for Absence

3 Declarations of Interest

Disclosure by councillors of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the councillor regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct

4 Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chair of the Council, Leader of the Council, Members of the Cabinet or the Chief Executive.

A list of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council's engagements since the Annual Meeting of the Council on 11 May 2016 is enclosed - page 5.

5 Urgent Items

Items not on the agenda which the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances as defined in Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972. (The attached Notice of Motion from Councillor Nicholson was circulated at the meeting (herewith - page 6)).

6 Questions from Members of the Public

To deal with questions which members of the public may wish to put to members of the Cabinet in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11 (if any).

7 Petitions

To receive petitions from councillors or members of the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13 (if any).

8 Written Questions from Councillors

To deal with written questions which councillors may wish to put to the Chair of the Cabinet in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12. (The attached written question was received from Councillor lent and was circulated at the meeting (herewith - page 7)).

9 Questions to the Leader of the Council

To deal with questions (if any) which councillors may wish to put to the Leader of the Council. It will be at the Leader's discretion to re-direct questions to relevant Members of the Cabinet.

A councillor wishing to raise a question must notify the Chair of the Council of the text of the question prior to the commencement of the meeting.

(NB This item is limited to a maximum of 5 questions, with no more than 1 question being asked per councillor. If a question requires a detailed or technical response, the Leader may decide that a written response is more appropriate).

10 Ward Issues

To deal with ward issues which councillors wish to raise. A councillor wishing to raise a ward issue must notify the Chair of the Council prior to the commencement of the meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.8 (if any).

11 Urgent Decisions taken by the Cabinet or Cabinet Members
In accordance with Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17, to receive details of any
urgent decisions taken by the Cabinet or Cabinet Members since the Annual
Meeting of the Council on 11 May 2016.

12 Recommendations from Cabinet

To consider the Recommendations from the Special Meeting of the Cabinet held on 25 May 2016 and from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 4 July 2016 (herewith - page 8).

13 Appointment of Co-opted, Non-voting Town/Parish Council Members to the Audit and Standards Committee for Standards Matters Only

To note that the Sussex and Surrey Associations of Local Councils has appointed the following three Councillors to serve as co-opted, non-voting Town/Parish Council Members on the Audit and Standards Committee for Standards matters only:

Councillor Nick Berryman (Newick Parish Council);

Councillor Johnny Denis (Glynde and Beddingham Parish Council and Ringmer Parish Council); and

Councillor Penny Lower (Seaford Town Council).

14 Reporting Back on Meetings of Outside Bodies

To receive feedback from the Council's representatives who serve on outside bodies in respect of meetings they have attended (if any).

A councillor wishing to provide feedback must notify the Chair of the Council prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Robert Cottrill Chief Executive

For further information about items appearing on this Agenda, please contact Catherine Knight at Southover House, Southover Road, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1AB. Telephone (01273) 471600.