Lewes District Council



Council Agenda Monday, 09 October 2017

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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 Monday, 09 October 2017 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 Meeting of the Council dated 17 July 2017 (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 of the Council's engagements since the Meeting of the Council on 17 July 2017 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.

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 Council, a Lead Councillor on the Cabinet or the Chair of any committee or sub-committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12. Questions received from Councillor Robertson 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 Meeting of the Council on 17 July 2017.

12 Recommendations from Cabinet

To consider the recommendations from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 27 September 2017 (if any).

13 Notices of Motion

To consider the Notices of Motion which have been received from Councillors (herewith - page 9).

14 Lewes District Council – Updated Code of Corporate Governance - Report

To consider the Report of the Head of Audit and Counter Fraud (herewith - page 13).

15 Memberships

To note the appointments to the following committees, outside bodies and advisory boards:

- Audit and Standards Committee Councillor J Denis replaces Councillor T Rowell.
- Housing Working Party Councillor J Denis replaces Councillor T Rowell.
- 3VA Board (Voluntary Action Lewes) Councillor S Gauntlett replaces Councillor S Osborne.
- Energy & Sustainability Joint Venture Member Board Councillors A Smith, I Linington and P Gardiner.
- Upper Ouse Flood Protection and Water Retention Works Working Group Councillors P Gardiner and I Linington.

16 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

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