

Council

18 November 2009

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10 November 2009

To the Members of the Borough Council

You are summoned to attend an ORDINARY MEETING of the EASTBOURNE BOROUGH COUNCIL to be held at the TOWN HALL, GROVE ROAD, EASTBOURNE, on **Wednesday 18 November 2009 at 6.00pm** to transact the following business.

Agenda

1. **Minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2009** (pages 115 to 119) (**previously circulated**).
2. **Mayor's announcements.**
3. **Notification of apologies for absence.**

4. **Public right of address.** The Mayor to report any requests received from a member of the public under Council Procedure Rule 11 in respect of any referred item or motion listed below.
5. **Order of business.** The Council may vary the order of business if, in the opinion of the Mayor, a matter should be given precedence by reason of special urgency.
6. **Declarations of interests by members under the Code of Conduct.**
7. **Calendar of meetings for 2010/11.** Report of Local Democracy Manager – **Attachment 07.**
8. **Matters referred from Cabinet or other Council bodies.** The following matters are submitted to the Council for decision (Council Procedure Rule 12 refers):-
 - (a) **Human resources delegations.** Report of Councillor Tester on behalf of the Cabinet – **Attachment 08(a).**
 - (b) **Revised statement of gambling policy.** Joint report of Councillors Tutt and Purchase on behalf of the Cabinet and the Licensing Act Committee respectively – **Attachment 08(b) (to follow).**
(The Cabinet minute on this matter can be found in the minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2009 (page 150, minute 70). The Licensing Act Committee is due to meet on 11 November 2009).
9. **Motions.** The following motions have been submitted by Members under Council Procedure Rule 13:-
 - (a) **New house building.** Motion by Councillor Elkin:-
To supplement a previous motion on NO further residential development on Sovereign Harbour. That this Council believes that Government demands for Eastbourne to accommodate 4,800 new homes are unacceptable and that EBC should not be collaborating with a Labour Government to produce further over-development in our area. Especially by further mass house building in the Harbour, Kings Drive and Old Town Areas.
 - (b) **Community centre for Sovereign Harbour.** Motion by Councillor Elkin:-
This Council will set aside a sum of money from the £2.5 million windfall that received by way of a VAT refund, to purchase a site on Sovereign Harbour to build a Community Centre. This Council will take necessary steps to compulsory purchase such a site should the land owners not be helpful.

This Council will also offer necessary advice to any bodies that

come forward with a view to raise the required funds to build a suitable Centre.

(c) Concessionary fares. Motion by Councillor Mattock:-

This Council welcomes the news of a possible redistribution of the concessionary fares grant but is disappointed that this is not likely to be backdated. It calls upon the Department of Transport to compensate the council tax payers of Eastbourne for the considerable shortfall they have had to fund. The Council further calls upon the Local Government Association to support proposals for redistribution in order to meet the actual costs incurred by local authorities.

- 10. Discussion on minutes of Council bodies.** Members of the Council who wish to raise items for discussion (Council Procedure Rule 14) on any of the minutes of the meetings of formal Council Bodies listed below must submit their request to the Head of Strategy and Democracy no later than 10.00 am on Wednesday 18 November 2009. A list of such items (if any) will be circulated prior to the start of the meeting.

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The following will be circulated prior to the meeting:-

General Licensing Committee	11 November 2009	
Licensing Act Committee	11 November 2009	

Note: Referred Matters – Paragraphs in minutes of Council Bodies marked with * in front of the paragraph number refer to matters in which the Council’s powers are not delegated or not exclusively exercisable by the Body concerned. These matters require formal approval by the Council and are listed separately on this agenda.

11. Exclusion of the public – Motion that:-

The remainder of the business of the Council concerns the consideration of the confidential proceedings of Council bodies. As such, discussion is likely to disclose exempt information within the categories specified either beneath the item or within the open summary of the relevant minutes. Furthermore, in relation to paragraph 10 of Schedule 12A, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. The public, therefore, should be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

- 12. Discussion on confidential minutes of Council bodies.** (See note at item 10 above). A list of items raised by Members (if any) will be circulated prior to the start of the meeting.

The following will be circulated prior to the meeting:-

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Chief Executive

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Items for discussion - Members of the Council who wish to raise items for discussion on any of the minutes of Council bodies attached to the meeting agenda, are required to notify the Head of Strategy and Democracy by 10 am on Wednesday 18 November 2009.

Further information – Councillor contact details, committee membership lists and other related information are also available from Local Democracy.

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