## Full Council 15 July 2019



Quorum: 11

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To the Members of the Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber at County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes on 15 July 2019 at 6.00 pm to transact the following business.

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.

# Agenda

#### 1 Minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2019 (Pages 5 - 18)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council dated 20 May 2019.

#### 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 (Pages 19 - 20)

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 previous meeting is enclosed.

#### 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 Notice Received for Removing the Leader of the Council (Pages 21 - 22)

Attached is a notice received from Councillor MacCleary and Councillor Collier on 19 June 2019 in accordance with paragraph 5.3 of the procedure for appointments set out in the Council's Constitution.

Any alternative nominations must been received by midnight on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and will be circulated to Councillors in advance of the meeting.

The Council is asked to vote first on the proposed resolution to remove the Leader. If this is carried, then a second vote will be held on the appointment of a new Leader of the Council, in accordance with procedure 5.4 of the Council procedure rules.

#### 7 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, which have been received no later than noon three working days before the day of the meeting (if any).

#### 8 Petitions

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

#### **9** Standards - Appointment of Independent Persons (Pages 23 - 24)

To consider the report of the Monitoring Officer (Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services).

#### **10 Recommendation from Audit and Standards Committee** (Pages 25 - 26)

To consider the recommendation from the meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee held on 18 March 2019.

#### 11 Notices of motion.

In accordance with council procedure rule 14, the following notice of the motions have been received for the consideration of the Council.

(a) Motion 1 - To Declare a Climate Emergency (Pages 27 - 28)

Motion proposed by Councillor Bird.

#### 12 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 previous meeting.

#### 13 Written questions from Councillors

To deal with written questions which councillors may wish to put to the Chair of the Council, a Cabinet Member or Chair of any committee or sub-committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12 which have been received no later than the close of business on the fourth working day before the meeting (if any).

#### 14 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).

#### 15 Ward issues

To deal with ward issues which councillors wish to raise (if any).

#### 16 Reporting back on meetings of outside bodies

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

Robert Cottrill Chief Executive

### Information for the public

**Accessibility:** Please note that the venue for this meeting is wheelchair accessible and has an induction loop to help people who are hearing impaired. This agenda and accompanying reports are published on the Council's website in PDF format which means you can use the "read out loud" facility of Adobe Acrobat Reader.

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### Information for councillors

**Disclosure of interests:** Members should declare their interest in a matter at the beginning of the meeting.

In the case of a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI), if the interest is not registered (nor the subject of a pending notification) details of the nature of the interest must be reported to the meeting by the member and subsequently notified in writing to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.

If a member has a DPI or other prejudicial interest he/she must leave the room when the matter is being considered (unless he/she has obtained a dispensation).

**Councillor right of address:** A member of the Council may ask the Chair, the Leader, a Cabinet member, the Chair of any committee or sub-committee, or a member of the Council to any external body or joint authority a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers of duties of which affects the district.

A member must give notice of the written question to Democratic Services in writing or by electronic mail no later than close of business on the fourth working day before the meeting at which the question is to be asked.

### **Democratic Services**

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