TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

Committee Services
Room 29
Town Hall
Station Road
Clacton-on-Sea
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CO15 1SE

29 July 2024

Dear Councillor

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU to attend the meeting of the Tendring District Council to be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 6 August 2024 when the business specified in the accompanying Agenda is proposed to be transacted. The meeting will be held in the Princes Theatre, Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE.

Yours faithfully

Ian Davidson Chief Executive

To: All members of the Tendring District Council

TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

AGENDA

For the meeting to be held on Tuesday, 6 August 2024

Prayers

1 Apologies for Absence

The Council is asked to note any apologies for absence received from Members.

2 Minutes (Pages 7 - 36)

The Council is asked to approve, as correct records, the minutes of:-

- (a) the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 19 March 2024; and
- (b) the annual meeting of the Council held on 30 April 2024.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests of Non-Registerable Interests, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

4 Announcements by the Chairman of the Council

The Council is asked to note any announcements made by the Chairman of the Council.

5 Announcements by the Chief Executive

The Council is asked to note any announcements made by the Chief Executive.

6 Statements by the Leader of the Council

The Council is asked to note any statements made by the Leader of the Council.

Councillors may then ask questions of the Leader on his statements.

7 Statements by Members of the Cabinet

The Council is asked to note any statements made by Members of the Cabinet (Portfolio Holders).

Councillors may then ask questions of the Portfolio Holders on their statements.

8 <u>Petitions to Council - Report of the Chief Executive - A.1 - Petition to Council:</u> Request for Provision of Public Conveniences in Jaywick Sands Beach Area (Pages 37 - 40)

To report a petition received in accordance with the Scheme approved by the Council, together with the decision made by the Cabinet in relation to that petition.

9 Questions Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 10.1

Subject to the required notice being given, members of the public can ask questions of the Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holders or Chairmen of Committees.

On this occasion no such questions on notice have been submitted by members of the public.

10 Report of the Leader of the Council - A.2 - Urgent Cabinet or Portfolio Holder Decisions (Pages 41 - 42)

The Council will receive a report on any Cabinet or Portfolio Holder Decisions taken as a matter of urgency in accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 15, Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rule 6(b) and/or Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 18(i).

11 Minutes of Committees (Pages 43 - 202)

The Council will receive the minutes of the following Committees:

- (a) Audit of Thursday 25 January 2024;
- (b) Resources and Services Overview & Scrutiny of Tuesday 5 March 2024;
- (c) Standards of Wednesday 20 March 2024;
- (d) Planning Policy & Local Plan of Tuesday 2 April 2024;
- (e) Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny of Tuesday 23 April 2024;
- (f) Standards of Wednesday 24 April 2024;
- (g) Audit of Thursday 25 April 2024;
- (h) Standards of Thursday 16 May 2024;
- (i) Planning Policy & Local Plan of Tuesday 28 May 2024;
- (j) Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny of Wednesday 17 July 2024;
- (k) Resources and Services Overview & Scrutiny of Monday 22 July 2024; and
- (I) Planning Policy & Local Plan of Tuesday 23 July 2024.

NOTES:

- (1) The above minutes are presented to Council <u>for information only</u>. Members can ask questions on their contents to the relevant Chairman but questions as to the accuracy of the minutes <u>must</u> be asked at the meeting of the Committee when the relevant minutes are approved as a correct record; and
- (2) If any recommendations to Council have been made by those Committees, these are included within separate reports for Council to decide upon (i.e. by noting the minutes those recommendations are not approved at this stage of the proceedings).

12 <u>Motion to Council Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12 - Concern regarding Electricity Network Proposals</u> (Pages 203 - 204)

Pursuant to the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 12, Council will consider a motion, notice of which has been given by Councillor Fairley.

13 <u>Motion to Council Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12 - The Implications of the</u> Spendells Project's Unauthorised Expenditure (Pages 205 - 206)

Pursuant to the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 12, Council will consider a motion, notice of which has been given by Councillor P B Honeywood.

14 Recommendations from the Cabinet - A.3 - Tendring District Council to become the Accountable Body for the Levelling Up Partnership (Pages 207 - 224)

To enable full Council to consider the recommendation of the Cabinet that Tendring District Council becomes the Accountable Body for the Levelling Up Partnership.

Reports Submitted to the Council by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Reference from the Council's two Overview and Scrutiny Committees - A.4 - Overview and Scrutiny Committees: Proposed Work Programmes for 2024/2025 and a review of the work carried out during 2023/2024 (Pages 225 - 252)

The Council will consider the proposed work programmes for the two overview and scrutiny committees (i.e. the Community Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee) for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year and will note the work carried out by those committees during 2023/2024.

16 Reference from the Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee - A.5 - TDC Response to National Grid Statutory Consultation on Norwich to Tilbury Electricity Powerline Connection Project (Pages 253 - 274)

To enable full Council to discuss Tendring District Council's formal response to the statutory consultation being carried out by National Grid on its proposed Norwich to Tilbury electricity power line connection project.

17 Report of the Chief Executive - A.6 - Membership of Committees (Pages 275 - 276)

To inform Council of a change in the membership of a Committee that has occurred since the Annual Meeting of the Council on 30 April 2024.

18 Report of the Chief Executive - A.7 - Resignation from the Conservative Group and the Change of Name of a Political Group on Tendring District Council (Pages 277 - 278)

To inform Council that the Tendring Residents' Alliance Group has changed its name to the Reform UK Group and that Councillor Jim Codling has left the Conservative Group and joined the Reform UK Group.

19 Report of the Monitoring Officer - A.8 - Outcome of the Hearing conducted by the Standards Committee in regards to alleged breaches of the Members' Code of Conduct by Councillor N W Turner (Pages 279 - 290)

To inform Council of the outcome of the Hearing conducted by the Standards Committee in regards to alleged breaches of the Members' Code of Conduct by Councillor N W Turner.

20 Report of the Chief Executive - A.9 - Allocation of seats on Committees et cetera to Political Groups formed on Tendring District Council and appointment of the Memberships of Committees et cetera (Pages 291 - 302)

To inform Council of the outcome of a review of the allocation of seats to political groups carried out in accordance with Section 15(1) (e) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 17(b) and (d) of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

Following a meeting of Group Leaders held to discuss and decide the matter, Council is requested to approve the allocation to the political groups formed on Tendring District Council of seats on those bodies that are subject to the Rules of Political Proportionality (Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989).

In accordance with the wishes expressed by Group Leaders, Council will also appoint Members to serve on those bodies that are subject to the Rules of Political Proportionality (Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989).

21 Questions Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11.2 (Pages 303 - 304)

Subject to the required notice being given, Members of the Council can ask questions of the Chairman of the Council, the Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holders or Chairmen of Committees.

The time allocated for receiving and disposing of questions shall be a maximum of 30 minutes. Any question not disposed of at the end of this time shall be the subject of a written response, copied to all Members the following working day unless withdrawn by the questioner.

One guestion on notice has been submitted by a Member of the Council on this occasion.

22 <u>Seating Plan for meetings of the Full Council in the 2024/2025 Municipal Year</u> (Pages 305 - 306)

To enable Full Council to approve the seating plan for its meetings to be held during the 2024/2025 Municipal Year.

The seating plan has been amended to reflect the election of the new Chairman of the Council, the appointment of the new Vice-Chairman of the Council, the appointment of Councillor Scott to serve as a member of the Council's Executive and the move of Councillor Codling from the Conservative Group to the Reform UK Group.

23 Urgent Matters for Debate

The Council will consider any urgent matters submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 3(xv), 11.3(b) and/or 13(p).

Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting of the Council

Tuesday, 17 September 2024 at 7.30 pm - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE

INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

PRINCES THEATRE FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

There is no alarm test scheduled for this meeting. In the event of an alarm sounding, please calmly make your way out of any of the four fire exits in the auditorium and follow the exit signs out of the building.

Please follow the instructions given by any member of staff and they will assist in leaving the building.

Please do not re-enter the building until you are advised it is safe to do so by the relevant member of staff.

The assembly point for the Princes Theatre is in the car park to the left of the front of the building as you are facing it. Your calmness and assistance is greatly appreciated.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Welcome to this evening's meeting of Tendring District Council.

This is an open meeting which members of the public can attend to see Councillors debating and transacting the business of the Council. However, please be aware that, unless you are included on the agenda to ask a public question, members of the public are not entitled to make any comment or take part in the meeting. You are also asked to behave in a respectful manner at all times during these meetings.

Members of the public do have the right to film or record council meetings subject to the provisions set out below:-

Rights of members of the public to film and record meetings

Under The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, which came into effect on 6 August 2014, any person is permitted to film or record any meeting of the Council, a Committee, Sub-Committee or the Cabinet, unless the public have been excluded from the meeting for the consideration of exempt or confidential business.

Members of the public also have the right to report meetings using social media (including blogging or tweeting).

The Council will provide reasonable facilities to facilitate reporting.

Public Behaviour

Any person exercising the rights set out above must not disrupt proceedings. Examples of what will be regarded as disruptive, include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Moving outside the area designated for the public;
- (2) Making excessive noise;
- (3) Intrusive lighting/flash; or
- (4) Asking a Councillor to repeat a statement.

In addition, members of the public or the public gallery should **not** be filmed as this could infringe on an individual's right to privacy, if their prior permission had not been obtained.

Any person considered being disruptive or filming the public will be requested to cease doing so by the Chairman of the meeting and may be asked to leave the meeting. A refusal by the member of the public concerned will lead to the Police being called to intervene.

Filming by the Council

This meeting will be filmed by the Council for live and/or subsequent broadcast on the Council's website. The whole of the meeting will be filmed, except where there are confidential or exempt items, and the footage will be on the website for up to 24 months (the Council retains one full year of recordings and the relevant proportion of the current Municipal Year). The Council will seek to avoid/minimise footage of members of the public in attendance at, or participating in, the meeting.