



Agenda

Meeting: **Council**
Date: **16 October 2019**
Time: **7.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone**

To: **All Members of the Council**

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7. Questions from Councillors (Pages 3 - 4)

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Up to 45 minutes is allowed for questions from councillors.

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Councillor questions:

1. From Councillor J Martin to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

The financial viability analysis on which the planning permission for the Princes Parade development was based has many omissions, including:

- Site Clearance
- Remediation
- Regrading site levels
- Services Diversion
- Service corridor to connect with main services
- Attenuation Works/Surface water drainage
- Removal of Japanese Knotweed
- Works to Promenade
- Sea Wall works
- Canal side retaining/supporting structure to the new road
- Ground consolidation works
- Works to provide open space.
- In addition, the report has given an illustrative example for only half of the site.
- The report uses the phrase, “will be at the developer’s cost” whereas the Council are the developer and there is no cost included.
- The report assumes a fully serviced site, which it is not.

If all of the missing costs are included the scheme makes a £15M loss.

I have alerted members and senior officers to this dramatic shortfall many times, but have received no response. What are the Council doing to manage the risk of this potentially catastrophic financial shortfall?

2. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Collier, Cabinet Member for Property Management and Grounds Maintenance

Can you please make a statement about the future of Folkestone beach huts following press reports?

3. From Councillor McConville to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

What impact does the decision to increase interest rates from the Public Works Loan Board have on our future financial outlook?

4. From Councillor Davison, to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing, Transport and special projects

What are your thoughts on Norwich city council for its Stirling prize winning development of environmentally conscious council housing and are there plans for such innovative and inspirational council housing in our own district?

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