

Meeting: **Council**
Date: **28 November 2018**
Time: **7.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone**

To: **All Members of the Council**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a meeting of the Council on the date and at the time and place shown above. The meeting will be open to the press and public.

Anyone who wishes to have information on any matter arising on the Agenda which is not fully covered in these papers is requested to give notice prior to the meeting to the Chairman or appropriate officer.

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Head of Paid Service

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

Members of the Council should declare any discloseable pecuniary

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interest or any other significant interests in any item/s on this agenda.

3. Minutes (Pages 5 - 18)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 31 October 2018 and to authorise the Chairman of the Council to sign them as a correct record.

4. Chairman's Communications

5. Petitions

There are no petitions to be presented.

6. Questions from the Public

1. From Michelle Dorrell to Councillor Ewart-James, Cabinet Member for Housing

Earlier this year, District Council publicly promised to review its current SWEF procedures to protect homeless people. Can I ask what has been the result of that review, how and when will it be made public; to ensure Folkestone doesn't add to the statistics of homelessness deaths across the country?

2. From Dr Geoff Burrell to Councillor Malcolm Dearden, Cabinet Member for Finance

The Princes Parade development is critically dependent on the availability of cash receipts from its own residential build programme. Those receipts will however fall substantially short of the needs of the project, due to under-estimation of the engineering difficulties and because Betteridge & Milsom have used Savills land valuation figures that are based on quite different assumptions. The level of debt will therefore be much larger than anticipated and will ramp up more rapidly due to a combination of later sales receipts and a greater need for up-front expenditure on external work.

Would Councillor Dearden please advise what levels of debt will be incurred and how the council intends to service that debt?

7. Questions from Councillors

(Questions can be found on www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk from noon 2 days before the meeting).

Up to 45 minutes is allowed for questions from councillors.

8. Announcements of the Leader of the Council

To receive a report from the Leader of the Council on the business of the

cabinet and on matters that the leader considers should be drawn to the council's attention. The leader shall have 10 minutes to make his announcements.

The opposition group will have an opportunity to reply to the leader's remarks. The opposition group leader shall have 5 minutes to respond after which the Leader of the Council will have a right of reply. Any right of reply will be for a maximum duration of 5 minutes.

9. Opposition Business

There is no opposition business.

10. Motions on Notice

There are no notices on motion.

11. Otterpool Park Garden Town - additional borrowing (Pages 19 - 28)

This report considers the recommendation of the cabinet that borrowing for ten million pounds be approved in order that the council can secure further parcels of land within the site of the proposed Otterpool Park Garden Town and to enable to get the scheme to the point where development can start.

*Explanations as to different levels of interest

(a) A member with a discloseable pecuniary interest (DPI) must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares a DPI in relation to any item must leave the meeting for that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted).

(b) A member with an other significant interest (OSI) under the local code of conduct relating to items on this agenda must declare the nature as well as the existence of any such interest and the agenda item(s) to which it relates must be stated. A member who declares an OSI in relation to any item will need to remove him/herself to the public gallery before the debate and not vote on that item (unless a relevant dispensation has been granted). However, prior to leaving, the member may address the meeting in the same way that a member of the public may do so.

(c) Members may make voluntary announcements of other interests which are not required to be disclosed under (a) and (b). These are announcements made for transparency reasons alone, such as:

- membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items, or
- where a member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person, or
- where an item would affect the well-being of a member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position.

Voluntary announcements do not prevent the member from participating or voting on the relevant item