

# 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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Head of Paid Service

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest (Pages 5 6)

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

# 3. Minutes (Pages 7 - 32)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 25 September 2019 and to authorise the Chairman of the Council to sign them as a correct record.

#### 4. Chairman's Communications

#### Petitions

There are no petitions to be presented.

#### 6. Questions from the Public

There are no questions from the public.

#### 7. Questions from Councillors

(Questions can be found on <a href="www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk">www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk</a> from noon 2 days before the meeting, on Modern.gov, under the agenda for this 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

The following motions have been placed on the agenda in the order received; up to 60 minutes shall be allowed for debates on motions on notice:

#### 1. Councillor McConville, Leader of the Labour Party:

This Council moves to, under part 5 section 27.2 amend the constitution in regard to part 5 section 6.2. A councillor, who has

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proposed a motion which has been referred to a committee or subcommittee, shall be given at least three clear working days' notice of the meeting, at which the motion will be considered, by the Head of Paid Service. If the councillor attends the meeting but is not a member of that committee or sub-committee, s/he shall have an opportunity to explain the motion to the committee or sub-committee.

This should be amended to read "A councillor, who has proposed a motion or Opposition Business".

As per the constitution, this item was proposed and seconded at the meeting held on 25 September 2019, and is now open for debate.

## 11. Review of polling districts and polling places 2019 (Pages 33 - 54)

Section 18 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended by Part 4 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006) places a duty on the Council to conduct a review of polling places and polling districts every four years. The last review was concluded by Folkestone & Hythe District Council (as Shepway District Council) in November 2014. This Report outlines the steps the Council is taking to comply with this duty and seeks approval from Council to approve the recommendations made.

### 12. Medium Term Financial Strategy 2020/21 to 2023/24 (Pages 55 - 78)

The Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) is the Council's key financial planning document. It puts the financial perspective on the council's Corporate Plan priorities, expressing the aims and objectives of various plans and strategies in financial terms over the four year period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. It covers both revenue and capital for the General Fund and the Housing Revenue Account. Also included are the Council's reserves policies. The MTFS is a key element of sound corporate governance and financial management.