



Meeting:CouncilDate:29 January 2020Time:7.00 pmPlace: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 (Pages 5 - 6)

Members of the Council should declare any discloseable pecuniary

Queries about the agenda? Need a different format?

Contact Jemma West – Tel: 01303 853369 Email: <u>committee@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk</u> or download from our website <u>www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk</u> interest or any other significant interests in any item/s on this agenda.

3. Minutes (Pages 7 - 22)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 20 December 2019 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 Mr Rylands to Councillor David Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing, Transport and Special Projects

How much money has been recovered from P & R Installation Company Ltd or its parent Company Bilby Plc for the overcharging to Folkestone & Hythe District Council, bearing in mind that there appeared to be a pattern of charging which was a systemic fraud by P & R?

2. From Dr Burrell to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

Could the Leader please advise which part of the District Council instructed the barrister to act on its behalf to defend the current Judicial Review claim for Princes Parade? Was this the Council's Head of Planning or was it the Council in its role as Land Owner/Developer?

3. From Mrs Lawes to Councillor David Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing, Transport and Special Projects

Numbers are increasing of Houses in Multi Occupation or HMO's. This type of housing is of poor quality with shared kitchen and other facilities. These types of housing create overcrowding, noise nuisance to neighbours and brings an area down. There is no proof that this type of housing is needed in Folkestone.

Why is this council allowing so many Housing in Multi Occupation or HMO's to be licensed and approved in Folkestone?

7. Questions from Councillors

(Questions can be found on <u>www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk</u> 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 groups will have an opportunity to reply to the leader's remarks. The opposition group leaders shall each 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 motions on notice.

11. Appointment of Chief Finance Officer (S151 Officer) (Pages 23 - 26)

This report sets out recommendations on the appointment of a Chief Finance officer (Section 151 Officer).

12. Report to Council on a Key Decision made in accordance with the constitution's call-in and urgency rule. (Pages 27 - 28)

The constitution provides that, when an urgent key decision is made by the Cabinet, for which any delay in implementation, likely to be caused by the call-in process, would seriously prejudice the Council's or public interest, then the 'Call-in Rules of Procedure', Part 6.3, rules 1-6 do not apply. Key decisions, taken as a matter of urgency, must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with the reasons for urgency.