

Meeting: **Council**
Date: **30 March 2022**
Time: **7.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone**

To: **All Members of the Council**

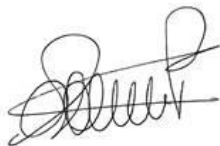
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a meeting of the Council on the date and at the time shown above.

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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Chief Executive

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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest (Pages 5 - 6)**

Members of the Council should declare any discloseable pecuniary interest or any other significant interests in any item/s on this agenda.

3. **Minutes (Pages 7 - 20)**

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 23 February 2022 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**

There are no questions from the public.

7. **Questions from Councillors**

(Questions can be found on www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk 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**

The Labour Group has raised the following matter:

Council Notes:

That we currently have a "Statement of Community Involvement" which

has not been updated since 2015

That this statement makes reference to a number of outdated plans and terms including:

- Shepway District Council including email addresses
- Corporate Plan 2013-18:
- Shepway Economic Development Strategy 2014-2019:
- Shepway Community Compact 2013

That this current statement does not include information for residents in how to engage with updated planning systems, including MyAccount.

Council Believes:

That by having these outdated documents accessible on our website, to the public, we are not placing a high enough value on community involvement.

There are community groups active in the district who have a passion for both planning and development and promotion of history and heritage. These groups should be utilised by the council for their input in preparing documents such as these.

That with a number of large development proposals currently being looked at by this council, a document such as this should be as current as possible.

That a revitalised pledge towards community involvement in the council's planning agenda will only be beneficial during the duration of the council's current local plan.

Council Resolves:

To renew the current "Statement for Community Involvement" document by the end of 2022

To engage with all residents and stakeholders of the district with regards to the renewal of the document.

To consider amending but not limiting to the following

- The title of the document
- Our Community Involvement Principles
- How we consult
- Reaching the Seldom Heard

Debates on opposition business shall be limited to 30 minutes. If the time limit is reached or the debate concludes earlier, the leader of the group raising the item shall have a right of reply.

The Council shall:

- a) Note the issue raised and take no further action;
- b) Refer the issue to the cabinet or relevant overview and scrutiny committee, as the case may be for their observations before deciding whether to make a decision on the issue;
- c) Agree to examine the matter as part of a future scrutiny programme;
- d) Adopt the issue raised by opposition business provided that the decision so made is within the policy framework and budget.

10. **Motions on Notice**

There are no motions on notice.

11. **Gambling Act 2005 - Update to the Statement of Principles (Pages 21 - 26)**

The Gambling Act 2005 requires the council, in its role as the local licensing authority, to prepare a Statement of Principles related to the exercise of its local licensing of gambling. The Statement of Principles must be reviewed every three years and the current statement runs until April 2022. The Statement of Principles has been reviewed and updated to cover the next three year period from 2022 to 2025. This report seeks approval from Full Council to adopt and publish the updated statement.

12. **Core Strategy Review - Report of the Planning Inspectors and Adoption of the Plan (Pages 27 - 376)**

This report summarises the findings of the planning Inspectors' report into the Core Strategy Review. The report recommends that Council proceeds to adopt the Core Strategy Review, with the main modifications identified by the Inspectors, so that the plan can be used to make decisions on planning applications.