## **AGENDA**

## **ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, 20 May 2015

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT

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Quorum = 16

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- 1. Prayers
- Apologies for absence
- Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held 18 February 2015 (Minute Nos. 495 - 511) as a correct record subject to an amendment to Minute No. 502 for the final sentence to start 'Against', not 'For'.

Declarations of Interest

Councillors should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves or their spouse, civil partner or person with whom they are living with as a spouse or civil partner. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.

The Chairman will ask Members if they have any interests to declare in respect of items on this agenda, under the following headings:

(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) under the Localism Act 2011. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DPI, the Member must leave the meeting and

not take part in the discussion or vote. This applies even if there is provision for public speaking.

(b) Disclosable Non Pecuniary (DNPI) under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council in May 2012. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DNPI interest, the Member may stay, speak and vote on the matter.

**Advice to Members:** If any Councillor has any doubt about the existence or nature of any DPI or DNPI which he/she may have in any item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Director of Corporate Services as Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

5. Borough Council Elections - 7 May 2015

The Returning Officer will report the Councillors elected at the Borough Council elections held on 7 May 2015.

6. Appointment of Council Leader

To appoint the Leader and note the appointments of the Deputy Leader and membership of the Cabinet and the terms of reference for each portfolio for the municipal year 2015/16. (Report to follow).

7. Establishment of Committees and their Terms of Reference

To agree the Council's Committees and their terms of reference. (Report to follow).

8. Allocation of Committee Seats and Committee Appointments for 2015/16

To agree the allocation of Committee seats and appoint membership of Committees for the municipal year 2015/16. (Report to follow).

9. Borough Council Representation on Outside Bodies, Trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and Statutory Bodies

To confirm nominations for Borough Council representation on outside bodies, trusts administered by Swale Borough Council and statutory bodies. (Report to follow).

10. Confirmation of Timetable of Meetings for 2015/16

To note the timetable of meetings for the municipal year 2015/16.

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