

AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 11 November 2020

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: Virtual Meeting via Skype*

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Quorum = 16

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1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes

To approve the [Minutes](#) of the Meeting held on 7 October 2020 (Minute Nos. 157 - 178) as a correct record.

3. 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 Mayor 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.

(c) Where it is possible that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts would conclude that there was a real possibility that the Member might be predetermined or biased the Member should declare their predetermination or bias and then leave the meeting while that item is considered.

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 Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

4. Mayor's Announcements

5. Motion - Area Committees

This Council agrees:

1) that Swale KALC be asked on an annual basis to nominate two Parish Representative Members to sit on each of the four Area Committees, with the condition that those representative members are members of a Parish or Town Council within the relevant Area Committee geography

- 2) that properly nominated Parish Representative Members of the Area Committees, with one exception detailed below, be full members of the Area Committee, enjoying the same rights to debate, propose and vote for recommendations made by the Area Committee to Swale's Cabinet
- 3) that Parish Representative Members of the Area Committees not be permitted to vote on spending decision made under delegated powers by the Area Committee
- 4) that officers be tasked with drafting the necessary changes to the Constitution to allow recommendations 1 to 3 above.

Proposed by Cllr Mike Whiting
 Seconded by Cllr Alan Horton

6. Motion - Coastal Policy

In view of impact of climate change accelerating the rate of the erosion of the Sheppey cliffs, this Council wishes to change Government policy to prevent further unsustainable erosion, thereby protect the existing, expanding, & future population of Sheppey. Swale Borough Council undertakes to seek the removal of the government coastal policy of non intervention, with its serious social & commercial implications, and replace that policy with a policy of protection of the coastline.

Proposed by Cllr MacDonald
 Seconded by Cllr Ingleton

7. Questions submitted by the Public

To consider any questions submitted by the public. (The deadline for questions is 4.30pm on the Wednesday before the meeting – please contact Democratic Services by e-mailing democraticservices@swale.gov.uk or call 01795 417330).

8. Questions submitted by Members

To consider any questions submitted by Members. (The deadline for questions is 4.30pm on the Monday the week before the meeting – please contact Democratic Services by e-mailing democraticservices@swale.gov.uk or call 01795 417330).

9. Leader's Statement

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| 14. | Allocation of Committee Seats and Committee Appointments - to follow | |

15. Recommendations for Approval - to follow

Council is asked to note the recommendations from the following meetings:

General Purposes Committee – 28 September 2020

Cabinet – 28 September 2020

Issued on Tuesday, 3 November 2020

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