

Council AGENDA



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Date: Wednesday, 23 April 2014

Time: 19:15

Venue: Causeway Room, Causeway House, Braintree, CM7 9HB

Membership:

Councillor J E Abbott	Councillor M E Galione	Councillor Ricci
Councillor J S Allen	Councillor C Gibson	Councillor D E A Rice
Councillor M J Banthorpe	Councillor M Green	Councillor W J Rose
Councillor P R Barlow	Councillor P Horner	Councillor V Santomauro
Councillor J Baugh	Councillor S A Howell	Councillor W D Scattergood
Councillor J C Beavis	Councillor H D Johnson	Councillor W Schmitt
Councillor D L Bebb	Councillor S C Kirby	Councillor A F Shelton
Councillor E Bishop	Councillor M C M Lager	Councillor L Shepherd
Councillor R J Bolton	Councillor C Louis	Councillor C E Shute
Councillor L B Bowers–Flint	Councillor D J Louis	Councillor C Siddall
Councillor G Butland	Councillor D Mann	Councillor G A Spray
Councillor C A Cadman	Councillor J T McKee	Councillor J S Sutton
Councillor S Canning	Councillor R G S Mitchell	Councillor J R Swift
Councillor T G Cunningham	Councillor J M Money	Councillor P Tattersley
Councillor J G J Elliott	Councillor Lady P Newton	Councillor C M Thompson
Councillor Dr R L Evans	Councillor J O'Reilly-Cicconi	Councillor M Thorogood
Councillor A V E Everard	Councillor I C F Parker	Councillor L S Walters
Councillor J H G Finbow	Councillor J A Pell	Councillor R G Walters
Councillor M J Fincken	Councillor R P Ramage	Councillor S A Wilson
Councillor T J W Foster	Councillor D M Reid	Councillor B Wright

Members of the Council are requested to attend this meeting to transact the business set out in the Agenda.

N BEACH
Chief Executive

QUESTION TIME

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Please let us have your comments setting out the following information:

Meeting AttendedDate of Meeting.....

Comments.....

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Contact details.....

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INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, Other Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest:-

Any member with a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or other Pecuniary Interest to indicate in accordance with the Code of Conduct. Such Member must not participate in any discussion of the matter in which they have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or other Pecuniary Interest or participate in any vote, or further vote, taken on the matter at the meeting. In addition, the Member must withdraw from the chamber where the meeting considering the business is being held unless the Member has received a dispensation from the Monitoring Officer.

PUBLIC SESSION

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- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 To receive any announcements/statements from the Chairman and/or Leader of the Council.**
- 3 Declarations of Interest**
To declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, other Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda having regard to the Code of Conduct for Members and having taken appropriate advice where necessary before the meeting.
- 4 Public Question Time**
(See page 2)
- 5 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 17th February 2014 (copy previously circulated).
- 6 Recommendations from Local Development Framework Sub-Committee, 8th April 2014** **7 - 28**
Pre-Submission Draft Site Allocations and Development Management Plan – Representations
- 7 Recommendations from Cabinet, 31st March 2014 - Linking the Basic Member Allowance to Training and D** **29 - 34**
- 8 Electoral Arrangements** **35 - 38**
- 9 Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2013-14** **39 - 42**
- 10 Governance Committee Annual Report 2013-14** **43 - 46**

- 11 Reports from the Leader and Cabinet Members**
To receive the following reports from each Portfolio Holder:
- 11a Councillor Butland - Leader of the Council 47 - 50**
- 11b Councillor Beavis - People and Participation 51 - 54**
- 11c Councillor Bebb - Performance and Efficiency 55 - 56**
- 11d Councillor Lady Newton - Planning and Property 57 - 58**
- 11e Councillor Schmitt - Place 59 - 62**
- 11f Councillor Siddall - Prosperity and Growth 63 - 64**
- 12 Oral questions**
Oral questions without notice on matters related to a particular portfolio, the powers or duties of the Council or the district (Procedure rules 7.1 to 7.3 apply). Where a verbal response cannot be given, a written response will be issued to all members.
- (A period of up to 30 minutes is allowed for this item).*
- 13 List of Public Meetings Held Since Last Council Meeting 65 - 66**
To raise any matters arising from the Minutes of meetings that have been held in Public Session since the Council meeting of 17th February 2014.
- 14 Chairmen's Statements**
To receive statements from those Chairmen who have given prior notification in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 7.9 and to respond to questions on such statements. *None have been received.*

15 Statements by Members

To receive any statements by Members of which the appropriate written notice has been given to the Chief Executive in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 7.6.

There are none

16 External Organisations

To receive reports about and receive questions and answers on the business of external organisations. **There are none.**

16a Citizens Advice Bureau 67 - 68

16b Braintree District Voluntary Support Agency (BDVSA) 69 - 70

16c Ignite Business Enterprise 71 - 72

17 Exclusion of Public and Press: - To give consideration to adopting the following Resolution: -

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act.

PRIVATE SESSION

18 Leader's or Cabinet Member Statements - Private Session

Leader's Statements or statements by Cabinet Members containing exempt information on a key issue. *There are none.*

**19 Policy Recommendations and References - Private Session
There are none.**

20 Reports from the Leader or Cabinet Members - Private Session

To receive any reports from the Leader of the Council and each Portfolio Holder containing exempt information and to ask questions on matters contained in the reports. *There are none.*

- 21 Oral Questions from Councillors - Private Session**
Oral questions without notice on matters related to a particular portfolio, the powers or duties of the Council or the district containing exempt information. (Procedure Rules 7.1 to 7.3 apply). Where a verbal response cannot be given, a written response will be issued to all members
- 22 Private Meetings Held Since the Last Council Meeting**
To raise any matters arising from the Minutes of meetings that have been held in Private Session since the Council meeting of 17th February 2014. *There are none.*
- 23 Chairmen's Statements - Private Session.**
To receive statements containing exempt information from those Chairmen who have given prior notification in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 7.9 and to respond to questions on such statements - *There are none.*
- 24 Statements by Members - Private Session**
To receive any statements by Members of which the appropriate written notice has been given to the Chief Executive in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 7.6. *There are none.*