

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING SUMMONS

Members of Fareham Borough Council are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Fareham, on **FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2016**, commencing at **5.00 pm**.

The Mayor: Councillor Michael Ford, JP

The Deputy Mayor: Councillor Connie Hockley

Councillor Brian Bayford	Councillor Tim Knight
Councillor Susan Bayford	Councillor Arthur Mandry
Councillor Susan Bell	Councillor Kay Mandry
Councillor John Bryant	Councillor David Norris
Councillor Pamela Bryant	Councillor Sarah Pankhurst
Councillor Trevor Cartwright, MBE	Councillor Roger Price, JP
Councillor Peter Davies	Councillor Dennis Steadman
Councillor Marian Ellerton	Councillor David Swanbrow
Councillor Jack Englefield	Councillor Katrina Trott
Councillor Keith Evans	Councillor Nick Walker
Councillor Geoff Fazackarley	Councillor David Whittingham
Councillor Nick Gregory	Councillor Paul Whittle
Councillor Tiffany Harper	Councillor Christopher Wood
Councillor Trevor Howard	Councillor Seán Woodward
Councillor Leslie Keeble	



1. Prayers

The meeting will commence with a short service of prayers.

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Minutes (Pages 1 - 16)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 December 2015.

4. Mayor's Announcements

5. Executive Leader's Announcements

6. Executive Members' Announcements

7. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest from members in accordance with Standing Orders and the Council's Code of Conduct.

Members are reminded that the Monitoring Officer has granted a dispensation to all Members to enable discussion and a decision to be taken at item 15 - Finance Strategy, Capital Programme, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2016/17.

8. Presentation of Petitions

To receive any petitions presented by a member of the Council.

Note: any petition so presented will be dealt with in accordance with the Council's petition scheme.

9. Deputations

To receive any deputations of which notice has been given.

10. Reports of the Executive

To receive, consider and answer questions on reports and recommendations of the Executive. Minutes of the meetings of the Executive and a schedule of individual Executive member decisions are appended.

(1) Minutes of meeting Monday, 11 January 2016 of Executive (Pages 17 - 20)

(2) Minutes of meeting Monday, 8 February 2016 of Executive (Pages 21 - 28)

Note:- the following recommendations are to be determined:

- Minute 11(1) – Housing Revenue Account Budget and Capital Plans 2016/17. This will be considered at item 15(4).
- Minute 11(2) – Finance Strategy, Capital Programme, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2016/17. This will be considered at item 15.

- Minute 11(6) – Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators 2016/17. This will be considered at item 15.

- (3) Schedule of Individual Executive Member and Officer Delegated Decisions (Pages 29 - 30)

11. Report of the Scrutiny Board

To receive, consider and answer questions on reports and recommendations of the meeting of the Scrutiny Board held on 14 January 2016.

- (1) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 14 January 2016 of Scrutiny Board (Pages 31 - 34)

12. Reports of Other Committees

To receive the minutes of the following Committees and to consider and answer questions on any reports and recommendations made.

- (1) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 16 December 2015 of Planning Committee (Pages 35 - 44)
- (2) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 27 January 2016 of Planning Committee (Pages 45 - 60)

13. Questions under Standing Order 17.2

To answer questions pursuant to Standing Order 17.2 for this meeting.

14. Motions under Standing Order 15

Members will be informed, prior to the meeting, of any motion duly notified in accordance with Standing Order 15 but received after print and dispatch of the agenda.

15. Finance Strategy, Capital Programme, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2016/17

- (1) Suspension of Standing Order 19.4 and 19.5

To consider suspending the provisions of Standing Order 19.4 to allow the Executive Leader of the Council to speak on the matters referred to in items 15(2) and 15(3) for longer than five minutes and the spokesman for the Opposition Group to speak for not more than ten minutes; and to consider suspending the provisions of Standing Order 19.5 to allow the Executive Leader of the Council to speak on the matters referred to in items 15(2) and 15(3) more than once to respond to points raised in debate.

- (2) Report to Executive - 8 February 2016 (Pages 61 - 70)

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 8 February 2016, presented to Council at its meeting on 19 February 2016 at item 10(2),

contained recommendations on the revenue budget and the level of council tax for 2016/17. If Members accept the Executive's recommendations, formal approval will be sought of the following matters:-

- (a) the capital programme and financing of £36,959,000;
- (b) an overall revised revenue budget for 2015/16 of £9,174,600;
- (c) a revenue budget for 2016/17 of £8,829,400; and
- (d) a council tax for Fareham Borough Council for 2016/17 of £145.22 per band D property, which represents a £5.00 increase when compared to the current year.

(Note: A copy of the report to the Executive is included in this agenda pack)

(3) Council Tax 2016/17

Having made the necessary calculations in relation to its own budget, the Council must proceed to set the Council Tax for 2016/17 taking account of the amounts in precepts issued to the Council by Hampshire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner and Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority. These precepts will not be issued before the publication of this agenda and therefore those that are available will be reported at the meeting, with provisional figures being given for those that are not yet approved. This is due to the timing of the Council Tax setting meeting scheduled for Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority.

In order to enable Council Tax bills to be issued within the statutory timescale, it is recommended that the Council agrees to:

Delegate authority to the Director of Finance and Resources to amend the Council Tax for 2016/17, in the event that any of the precepting authorities change their precept calculation from that expected and reported at the Council meeting.

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, there will be a recorded vote on the budget decision.

(Note: a schedule will be circulated at the meeting showing the formal calculations the Council must make, incorporating any figures recommended by the Executive. Members will also be advised of the wording of the formal resolution they must adopt to set the Council Tax for 2016/17, taking account of the requisite calculations and the precepts or expected precepts of Hampshire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner and Hampshire Fire Authority.)

(4) Housing Revenue Account and Capital Plans 2016/17

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 8 February 2016, presented to Council at its meeting on 19 February 2016 at item 10(2), contained recommendations on the Housing Revenue Account Spending

Plans including the Capital Programme for 2016/17. If members accept the Executive's recommendations, formal approval will be sought of the following matters:-

- (a) rents be approved for Council Dwellings as set out in paragraph 10 with effect from 4 April 2016;
- (b) rents for Council garages be increased by 5% with effect from 4 April 2016;
- (c) discretionary fees and charges be increased to provide a minimum increase of 5%, where possible, with effect from 4 April 2016;
- (d) the revised budget for 2015/16 be approved;
- (e) the base budget for 2016/17 be approved;
- (f) the capital programme and financing for 2015/16 to 2019/20 be approved; and
- (g) annual budgets and assumptions are set with the aim of ensuring sufficient surpluses are held to repay debt on the date of maturity of each loan.

(A copy of the report to the Executive is included in this agenda pack)

- (5) Treasury Management Strategy & Prudential Indicators 2016/17 (Pages 71 - 92)

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 8 February 2016, presented to Council at its meeting on 19 February 2016 at item 10(2), contained recommendations for the Council to approve the Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators for 2016/17.

(Note: A copy of the report to the Executive along with the Treasury Management Strategy is included in this agenda pack)

16. Appointments to Committees

To make any changes in appointments to the seats on committees in accordance with the wishes of political groups. Such appointments will take effect from 20 February 2016.

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