



Council Meeting

13 December 2017

HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Hastings Borough Council to be held at the Muriel Matters House, Breeds Place, Hastings, East Sussex, TN34 3UY, on Wednesday, 13th December, 2017 at 6.00 pm at which meeting the business specified below is proposed to be transacted.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Legal Officer

Muriel Matters House
Breeds Place
Hastings

5 December 2017

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the council meeting held on 18 October 2017
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Announcements from the Mayor and Leader
5. Questions (if any) from:
 - a) Members of the public under Rule 11
 - b) Councillors under Rule 12
6. Motion (Rule 14)
Councillor Chowney to propose, seconded by Councillor Westley, that:

“This council is committed to welcoming asylum seekers and refugees to the Borough of Hastings, and including them in our activities. Hastings Council recognises their potential contribution to our town, and also recognises that a comprehensive, co-ordinated and forward-

looking approach is needed if the welfare of people moving into the town, and community cohesion between new and existing communities, are to be supported effectively. To this end, we pledge to:

- Support Hastings bid to become a place of sanctuary;
- Welcome to Hastings and St Leonards those fleeing violence and persecution in their own countries;
- Value the contribution those seeking sanctuary can make to our town;
- Support taking practical steps to welcome and integrate all people into our communities, activities and culture;
- Add our organisation's name to the body of supporters and we will offer relevant and practical action as appropriate.

This council will work to implement the City of Sanctuary pledges through its actions and policies, and with its partners in the statutory and voluntary sectors."

7. Motion (Rule 14)

Councillor Rankin to propose, seconded by Councillor Turner that:

"After the most recent publication of the Ofsted report for Ark William Parker confirmed that it has now underperformed for 4 years, we ask that the Leader of Hastings Borough Council writes to the Regional Schools Commissioner expressing our concerns about this situation."

8. Membership of Committees

To give effect to any request received from a political group for a change in their representation on committee(s)

9. Reports of Committees

a) To resolve that the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of any items considered while the public were excluded by the relevant committee because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 referred to in the minutes of the relevant committee.

b) To receive and consider the recommendations and any decisions of the following committees:

Minute No.	Subject	Cabinet Member / Chair
CABINET – 6 NOVEMBER 2017		

41.	Warm Homes Fund Grant	Batsford
42.	Healthy Hastings and Rother Update	Batsford
43.	Medium Term Financial Strategy	Chowney
44. (C)	Treasury Management – Mid Year Report 2017/18	Chowney
45. (C)	Social Media Policy	Poole
CABINET – 4 DECEMBER 2017		
48. (C)	Council Tax Support Scheme	Chowney
49. (C)	National Non-Domestic Rate (NNDR) Relief	Chowney
50. (C)	An Energy Transition for Hastings	Chowney
51.	Appointment of External Auditor	Chowney
52.	Sports Village Development	Chowney
53. (E)	White Rock Theatre*	Chowney
54. (E)	Property Purchase	Chowney
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* A supplementary public report on the White Rock Theatre will be circulated in advance of the meeting and may be called for discussion.

(C) – Council Decision

(E) – Exempt

Notes:

1. The Mayor will call over the minutes and members will rise and indicate those items which they wish to have discussed.
2. No discussion shall take place at this stage upon part II minutes covered by the resolution 9a) above. Any such discussion shall be deferred until item 10 on the agenda.

10. To consider the recommendations and decisions of committees (if any) which the Council has resolved should be discussed after the exclusion of the public from the meeting

Note: Nothing contained in this agenda or in the attached reports and minutes of committees constitutes an offer or acceptance of an offer or an undertaking or contract by the Borough Council