

Council Meeting

15 April 2015



HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Hastings Borough Council to be held at the Town Hall, Queen's Square, Priory Meadow, Hastings, TN34 1QR, on Wednesday, 15th April, 2015 at 6.00 pm at which meeting the business specified below is proposed to be transacted.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Legal Officer

Aquila House Breeds Place Hastings

7 April 2015

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 18 February 2015, the Budget Council meeting on 25 February 2015 and the Special Council meeting on 11 March 2015
- 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 Davies to propose the following motion, seconded by Councillor Fitzgerald: -

"This Council is concerned that the Investor-State Dispute Mechanism (ISDS) of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)

currently being negotiated by the USA and the European Union will threaten our ability, as an elected local council to:

- 1) Pursue interventionist policies promoting social equity and community cohesion;
- 2) Choose the most effective way to provide contractual services;
- 3) Foster environmental protection or protect the public health to the benefit of the citizens of Hastings & St Leonards.

The European Commission's proposal on "regulatory co-operation" will further jeopardise Hastings Borough Council's powers to implement an autonomous regulatory framework for procuring, managing and guaranteeing best social and commercial value from our most important outsourced contracts.

Specifically, Hastings Borough Council seeks guarantees that the implications of this are not to give powers to companies to dictate terms favourable to themselves at the expense of the public interest.

We therefore resolve to:

- 1) Write to the Prime Minister, the Secretary of State for Business Innovation and Skills, our MP and MEPs raising our concerns about TTIP:
- 2) Contact the local governments of our twin towns within the EU with a copy of this motion, with the objective of making a joint statement to the EU Trade Commission and to urge our MEPs to lobby on our behalf:
- 3) Write to the Local Government Association to urge them to lobby on behalf of all local authorities on the potential impact of the TTIP."

7. Membership of Committees

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

8. 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 – 2 March 2015						
71.	Hastings and St Leonards Play Space Strategy Refresh	Poole				
72.	Cabinet Appointments to Committee, Working Groups and Partnerships etc	Birch				
Cabinet – 30 March 2015						
75.	Review of the Hastings Houses in Multiple Occupation Additional Licensing Scheme	Forward				
76.	Proposed Discretionary Selective Licensing Scheme for Private Rented Homes in Hastings	Birch				
77.	Management Response to the Overview and Scrutiny Review of Outsourced Contracts	Cartwright				
78.	Leisure Facilities Strategy Refresh	Poole				
79.	Contracting Out Part VII Housing Act 1996 Functions	Forward				
81. (E)	4 Stanier Road	Birch				

(C) = Council Decision

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 any Part II minute covered by the resolution at 8(a) above. Any such discussion shall be deferred until item 9 on this agenda.

PART II

9. 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