

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, 11th October, 2021
at 4.00 pm

Guildhall, Southampton

This meeting is open to the public

Members of the Council

The Mayor – Chair

The Sheriff – Vice-chair

Leader of the Council

Members of the Council (See overleaf)

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WARD	COUNCILLOR	WARD	COUNCILLOR
Bargate	Bogle Noon Dr Paffey	Millbrook	Moulton G Galton S Galton
Bassett	Hannides B Harris L Harris	Peartree	Houghton J Payne Bell
Bevois	Rayment Denness Kataria	Portswood	Cooper Mitchell Savage
Bitterne	Magee Prior Streets	Redbridge	Guest McEwing Spicer
Bitterne Park	Fuller Harwood White	Shirley	Chaloner Coombs Kaur
Coxford	D Galton Professor Margetts Renyard	Sholing	J Baillie Guthrie Vaughan
Freemantle	Leggett Shields Windle	Swaythling	Vassiliou Bunday Fielker
Harefield	P Baillie Fitzhenry Laurent	Woolston	Stead Hammond W Payne

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Role of the Council

The Council comprises all 48 Councillors. The Council normally meets six times a year including the annual meeting, at which the Mayor and the Council Leader are elected and committees and sub-committees are appointed, and the budget meeting, at which the Council Tax is set for the following year.

The Council approves the policy framework, which is a series of plans and strategies recommended by the Executive, which set out the key policies and programmes for the main services provided by the Council. It receives a summary report of decisions made by the Executive, and reports on specific issues raised by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. The Council also considers questions and motions submitted by Council Members on matters for which the Council has a responsibility or which affect the City.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Questions:- People who live or work in the City may ask questions of the Mayor, Chairs of Committees and Members of the Executive. (See the Council's Constitution ref Part 4 Council Procedure Rules 10.8)

Petitions:- At a meeting of the Council any Member or member of the public may present a petition which is submitted in accordance with the Council's scheme for handling petitions. Petitions containing more than 1,500 signatures (qualifying) will be debated at a Council meeting. (See the Council's Constitution ref Part 4 Council Procedure Rules 10.1)

Representations:- At the discretion of the Mayor, members of the public may address the Council on any report included on the agenda in which they have a relevant interest. Any member of the public wishing to address the meeting should advise the Democratic Support Officer (DSO) whose contact details are on the front sheet of the agenda.

Deputations:- A deputation of up to three people can apply to address the Council. A deputation may include the presentation of a petition. (See the Council's Constitution ref Part 4 Council Procedure Rules 10.7)

MEETING INFORMATION

Use of Social Media:- The Council supports the video or audio recording of meetings open to the public, for either live or subsequent broadcast. However, if, in the Chair's opinion, a person filming or recording a meeting or taking photographs is interrupting proceedings or causing a disturbance, under the Council's Standing Orders the person can be ordered to stop their activity, or to leave the meeting. By entering the meeting room you are consenting to being recorded and to the use of those images and recordings for broadcasting and or/training purposes. The meeting may be recorded by the press or members of the public.

Any person or organisation filming, recording or broadcasting any meeting of the Council is responsible for any claims or other liability resulting from them doing so.

Details of the Council's Guidance on the recording of meetings is available on the Council's website.

Mobile Telephones – Please switch your mobile telephones to silent whilst in the meeting.

Southampton: Corporate Plan 2020-2025 sets out the four key outcomes:

- Communities, culture & homes - Celebrating the diversity of cultures within Southampton; enhancing our cultural and historical offer and using these to help transform our communities.
- Green City - Providing a sustainable, clean, healthy and safe environment for everyone. Nurturing green spaces and embracing our waterfront.
- Place shaping - Delivering a city for future generations. Using data, insight and vision to meet the current and future needs of the city.
- Wellbeing - Start well, live well, age well, die well; working with other partners and other services to make sure that customers get the right help at the right time

Access – Access is available for disabled people. Please contact the Council Administrator who will help to make any necessary arrangements

Smoking policy – The Council operates a no-smoking policy in all civic buildings

Fire Procedure – In the event of a fire or other emergency, a continuous alarm will sound and you will be advised by Council officers what action to take.

Proposed dates of meetings	
2021	2022
21 July	23 February (Budget)
15 September	16 March
17 November	18 May (AGM)

CONDUCT OF MEETING

FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

The functions of the Council are set out in Article 4 of Part 2 of the Constitution

RULES OF PROCEDURE

The meeting is governed by the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution.

BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

QUORUM

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 16.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any "Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" or "Other Interest" they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

- (i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
- (ii) Sponsorship: Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
- (iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.
- (iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.
- (v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.
- (vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.
- (vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:
 - a) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or
 - b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Other Interests

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an, 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

Any body to which they have been appointed or nominated by Southampton City Council

Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature

Any body directed to charitable purposes

Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

Principles of Decision Making

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision making power and gives effect to it. The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

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Friday, 1 October 2021

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the COUNCIL to be held on MONDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 2021 in the GUILDHALL, SOUTHAMPTON at 4:00pm when the following business is proposed to be transacted:-

1 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

2 MINUTES (Pages 1 - 16)

To authorise the signing of the minutes of the Extraordinary and Council Meetings held on 21st July, 2021, attached.

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND LEADER

Matters especially brought forward by the Mayor and the Leader.

4 DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS

To receive any requests for Deputations, Presentation of Petitions or Public Questions.

5 EXECUTIVE BUSINESS (Pages 17 - 24)

Report of the Leader of the Council, attached.

6 MOTIONS

(a) Councillor Fielker, seconder Councillor Margetts

Social Care Reform

Council notes the 10% rise in National Insurance tax by this Conservative Government will affect the working poor in Southampton the most. This comes as food and energy prices increase and cuts are being made to Universal Credit. Southampton families don't deserve to be hit by this triple whammy.

Council further notes that the extra money raised by this hike in National Insurance will go mainly to the NHS and does little to support adults with disabilities, improve the pay of care workers, address the crisis of staff shortages or protect the savings and investments of people who need residential care. Small business owners will be disproportionately hit and local authority budgets will be expected to plug the gap between the care cap and actual cost.

This Council believes that reform of social care can only be fixed by a fairer taxation system and fair funding to local government.

Therefore, Council resolves to:

- Commit to not cutting services in other areas that local residents rely on, to fill a gap made by government's failure to effectively reform social care.
- Call on government to guarantee to meet the costs of the social care cap, while making the taxation system fairer to reduce inequality.
- Work with the LGA and others to lobby government to set out a programme which fundamentally reforms social care.

(b) Councillor Renyard, seconder Councillor Bunday

Crime and Policing

Council expresses its concern at the level of crime and anti-social behaviour affecting our communities and the everyday lives of our residents who no longer feel safe in their homes and neighbourhoods.

Council condemns Government for being soft on crime and the causes of crime and regrets how austerity measures have put a strain on local policing, which has had a negative impact for Southampton people.

Council believes Southampton residents are not getting value for money on policing and deserve better, and we therefore call on Government and the newly elected Conservative Police and Crime Commissioner to:

- Ensure Southampton residents get their fair share of necessary funding and resources needed to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour on our streets.
- Provide policing levels that go higher than pre-2010 numbers, and therefore, not just replacing police officers lost by this Government's previous police cuts.
- Value neighbourhood policing and work more closely with Southampton City Council, to bring forward a plan for 'Police Hubs' across the entire city (starting with the one being proposed for Bitterne), so that policing can be brought closer to our local communities again.

7 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS TO THE CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES OR THE MAYOR

To consider any question of which notice has been given under Council Procedure Rule 11.2.

8 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

To deal with any appointments to Committees, Sub-Committees or other bodies as required.

9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION ELECTORAL REVIEW
(Pages 25 - 70)

Report of the Leader of the Council setting out the Council's commitment to the delivery of a statutory Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review.

10 CIVIC HONOURS COMPETITION 2022: BID FOR LORD MAYORALTY STATUS
(Pages 71 - 80)

Report of the Leader of the Council, seeking Council approval to bid for Lord Mayoralty status as part of Her Majesty The Queen's Civic Honours Competition 2022 and Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

11 COMMISSIONING HOUSING RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SINGLE ADULTS, YOUNG PEOPLE AND YOUNG PARENTS □ (Pages 81 - 106)

Report of the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and Heritage seeking approval of recommendations for the future procurement of Housing Related Support for young people, young parents and single vulnerable adults.

12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ABUSE RECOMMISSIONING OF SERVICES
(Pages 107 - 120)

Report of the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and Heritage detailing proposals for the recommissioning of Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse services in Southampton.



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