

Council Meeting Agenda

9 December 2019





SUMMONS

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the District Council to be held in Council Chamber - Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst, SO43 7PA on Monday, 9 December 2019, at 6.30 pm

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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 18)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2019 as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interests made by Members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interests must also be specified.

Members are asked to discuss any possible interests with Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. **REPORTS OF CABINET** (Pages 19 - 20)

To consider the reports of the Cabinet dated:-

- 6 November 2019; and
- 4 December 2019 (to follow)

6. REPORT OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING TASK AND FINISH GROUP - ARTHRITIS MOTION (Pages 21 - 22)

To consider the report of the Private Sector Housing Task and Finish Group, with regard to the Arthritis Motion referred to the Group by the Council.

7. QUESTIONS

Under Standing Order 22.

8. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, Cllr Andrews will move the following motion on behalf of Cllr Hoare:-

We live in a unique part of the world and as such we have unique problems and challenges when trying to protect not just our wildlife and pets, but the ponies, cattle and pigs who freely roam the forest. These are an integral part of our history and culture, the animals are people's stock and livelihood. Fireworks can cause many problems for animals, not just from the noise, but from the debris of spent rockets which land within the forest, countryside and gardens which can cause severe distress or even death, if eaten.

Within the NFDC area there are also many people for whom fireworks are a source of distress, for example, the elderly, ex-service men and women and those who are vulnerable due to mental or physical challenges.

To this end the Council resolves to:

- (a) Engage with Government and local Members of Parliament to seek greater national regulation with regard to private and organised firework displays.
- (b) Actively promote a public awareness campaign within the District about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people, including precautions that can be taken to mitigate this.
- (c) To require all public firework displays within (and encourage those just outside) the District to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people.
- (d) To work with the NFNPA, Forestry England and Hampshire County Council for a joint and integrated approach.

Under the provisions of Standing Order 41, the above motion, after being proposed and seconded (without speeches), should stand referred to the Cabinet, or to the Cabinet or such Committees or Panels as the Council may determine. However, the Chairman may allow the motion to be dealt with at this meeting if he considers it urgent, convenient or conducive to the despatch of business.

9. QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A

To ask questions of Portfolio Holders. Questions received will be tabled at the meeting. (Members are reminded that questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive or to the Executive Head of Governance and Housing by not later than 12.00 noon on Friday 6 December 2019.

10. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

To consider any changes to the membership of Committees or Panels that might be proposed by the political groups.

The Conservative Group have notified the following change:-

HR Committee

Cllr Craze to replace Cllr J Ward.

11. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT