



New Forest
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Meeting Agenda

24 February 2020



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, 24 February 2020, at 6.30 pm



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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2019 as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To note any declarations of interests made by Members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interest 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. NOTICE OF PETITION

To consider the following petition of 2,039 signatures from New Forest West Labour Party in accordance with the Council's Petitions Scheme:-

“New Forest District Council wants to privatise our Leisure Centres. We, the undersigned, believe that they should be kept in public ownership and management and available to all.”

Note:

In accordance with Standing Order 38, the petition organiser may present the petition for a maximum of five minutes. Councillors may debate the petition for a maximum of 15 minutes.

6. REPORTS OF THE CABINET (Pages 17 - 20)

To consider the reports of the Cabinet dated:-

- 5 February 2020; and
- 19 February 2020 (to follow)

7. REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE (Pages 21 - 24)

To consider the report of the Audit Committee dated 24 January 2020.

8. REPORT OF THE HR COMMITTEE (Pages 25 - 26)

To consider the report of the HR Committee dated 30 January 2020.

9. REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (Pages 27 - 28)

To consider the report of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel dated 9 January 2020.

10. QUESTIONS

Under Standing Order 22.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, the Leader of the Council, Cllr Rickman will move the following motion:-

This Council explicitly condemns prejudice and intolerance in all forms. Adopting a clear and consistent definition of antisemitism provides residents of and visitors to the New Forest District with reassurance that antisemitism will not be tolerated. To this end, this Council adopts the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) definition of antisemitism, as follows:-

“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

Note:

In accordance with 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.

12. 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 21 February 2020.

13. COUNCIL TAX 2020/21 (Pages 29 - 40)

To set the Council Tax for 2020/21.

14. 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 has notified the following proposed change:-

Planning Committee

Cllr Bellows to replace Cllr Carpenter

15. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT