



New Forest
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Meeting Agenda

10 July 2023



SUMMONS

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the District Council to be held in the Council Chamber - Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst, SO43 7PA on Monday, 10 July 2023, at 6.30 pm



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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES (Pages 7 - 12)

To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 22 May 2023 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 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. PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT POLICY (Pages 13 - 54)

To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet meeting held on 7 June 2023.

6. CHANGE TO DISMISSAL APPEAL PROCESS (Pages 55 - 58)

To consider the recommendations of the HR Committee meeting held on 8 June 2023.

7. WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION POLICY (Pages 59 - 86)

To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 July 2023.

8. GARDEN WASTE FEES AND CHARGES 2024-25 (Pages 87 - 90)

To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 July 2023.

9. DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW OPERATIONAL SERVICES DEPOT AT HARDLEY INDUSTRIAL ESTATE (Pages 91 - 106)

To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 July 2023.

10. QUESTIONS

To ask questions under Standing Order 22. Questions received will be published ahead of the meeting. (Members are reminded that questions must be submitted to Democratic Services by no later than 12.00 noon, Wednesday 5 July 2023).

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, Cllr Osborne will move the following motion:-

“Humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt in the UK, and around the world. The global temperature has already increased by 1.2°C above pre-industrial levels and—alongside this—the natural world has reached crisis point, with 28% of plants and animals threatened with extinction. In fact, the UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world as more than one in seven of our plants and animals face extinction, and more than 40% are in decline.

Climate change remains a major concern for voters with 66% of people (according to YouGov) expressing they are ‘worried about climate change and its effects’. Alongside this, the popularity of Sir David Attenborough’s Save Our Wild Isles initiative demonstrates public concern that UK wildlife is being destroyed at terrifying speed.

Climate & Ecology Bill

The Climate & Ecology Bill, a private member’s bill currently before the House of Commons, seeks to address the challenges that this situation poses by creating a whole-of-government approach to deliver a net zero and nature positive future.

Based on the latest science, the Bill aims to align current UK environmental policy with the need to halt and reverse nature loss by 2030, which was goal agreed to at COP15, via the Kunming-Montreal Framework (22 December 2022); and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with a fair share of the remaining global carbon budget to give the strongest chance of limiting global heating to 1.5C, which was the goal agreed to at COP21, via the Paris Agreement (12 December 2015).

By bridging the gap between the UK Government's current delivery, and what has been agreed at international levels, Britain has a chance to be a world leader on the environment; seizing the opportunities of the clean energy transition, including green jobs and reduced energy bills; and boosting the UK's food and energy security.

This Council notes that:

The Climate and Ecology Bill, which has been introduced in the UK Parliament on four occasions since 2020, including most recently in the House of Commons 10 May 2023. The Bill is backed by 168 cross-party MPs and Peers, 237 local authorities, alongside the support of eminent scientists, such as Sir David King; environmental NGOs, such as The Wildlife Trusts and CPRE; businesses, such as The Co-operative Bank; and 30,000 members of the public.

The Bill would require the UK Government to develop and deliver a new environmental strategy, which would include:

- 1. Delivering a joined-up environmental plan, as the crises in climate and nature are deeply intertwined, requiring a plan that considers both together;*
- 2. Reducing emissions in line with 1.5°C, ensure emissions are reduced rapidly, for the best chance of limiting warming to 1.5°C;*
- 3. Not only halting, but also reversing the decline in nature, setting nature measurably on the path to recovery by 2030;*
- 4. Taking responsibility for our overseas footprint, both emissions and ecological;*
- 5. Prioritising nature in decision-making, and ending fossil fuel production and imports as rapidly as possible;*
- 6. Ensuring that no-one is left behind, by providing for retraining for people currently working in fossil fuel industries; and*
- 7. Giving people a say in finding a fair way forward through an independent and temporary Climate & Nature Assembly, representative of the UK population, an essential tool for bringing public opinion along with the unprecedented pace of change required.*
- 8. This council has already passed a Climate and Nature Emergency motion and is now taking tackling climate change locally as an important strand of its strategy going forward. Therefore supporting the bill is aligned with local, national and international recognition we must act decisively and timely to deal with the climate crisis.*

New Forest District Council therefore resolves to:

- 1. Support the Climate and Ecology Bill;*
- 2. Inform local residents, and local press/media of this decision;*
- 3. Write to MP's Sir Julian Lewis and Desmond Swayne to inform them that*

this motion has been passed, urging them to sign up to support the CE Bill, or thanking them for already doing so;

4. *Write to Zero Hour, the organisers of the cross-party campaign for the CE Bill, expressing its support (campaign@zerohour.uk)."*

Cllr Dowd will second the motion.

Under the provisions of Standing Order 42, the above motion, after being proposed and seconded (without speeches), should stand referred to the body within whose terms of reference the subject matter of the motion comes, or the Cabinet, Committees or Panels as the Council may determine.

The Chairman may allow the motion to be dealt with at this meeting if they consider it urgent, convenient or conducive to the despatch of business.

12. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

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

13. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS

Appendix 3 to the report at item 9 of the agenda – Development of a New Operational Services Depot at Hardley Industrial Estate, contains exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 3 in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

If required, the Chairman will move the following resolution:-

"That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and the press be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act and the public interest in maintaining the exception outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information."

Description of exempt information – Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Part II - Private Session

Members are reminded that reports and information relating to this session are not for publication and should be treated as strictly confidential.