



**There is to be an Ordinary Meeting of the above Council,  
on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022 starting at 6.00pm,  
being held at the St Mary's Community Centre**

**You are hereby summoned to attend.  
The agenda is as follows:**

- 227/22**      **To note those present, to receive and consider for approval, apologies for absence and reasons given.** *Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted.*
- 228/22**      **To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs), Other Significant Interests (OSIs) or Voluntary Interests (VIs) relating to items on the agenda.** *A member who declares a DPI in relation to any item on the agenda will need to leave the meeting for the whole of that item and will not be able to speak or take part unless a relevant Dispensation has been granted. A member who declares an OSI will be able to speak on the item but will be required to leave the meeting for the vote. Councillors may also declare a voluntary Interest if they are unsure of their position. Inclusion and voting will be decided at the time of the declaration.*
- 229/22**      **To consider and adopt the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022.**
- 230/22**      **Public Open Session** for members of the public who may make representations, give evidence, ask and answer questions regarding items on the agenda or to suggest issues for discussion at a future meeting. **This item will include reports from Neighbourhood Watch and the PCSO** *(This item will last no more than 15 minutes)*
- 231/22**      **Casual Vacancies:**
- 1) Council to **note** applications for the casual vacancies in the wards Bybrook, Kennington North & Grosvenor, **agree** actions and **vote** to fill vacancies. In the order of
    - a) **Bybrook** ( 2 vacancies)
    - b) **Kennington North** (1 vacancy)
    - c) **Grosvenor Hall** (1 vacancy).
- Candidates will be given five minutes maximum to introduce themselves to Councillors, give information on their background and experience and explain why they wish to become a Councillor. Councillors may request points of clarification on the information provided by the candidate, through the Chair. The process will be carried out by adjourning the meeting to allow the candidate to speak. The Council may resolve that it does not require any candidate to speak, and proceed to a debate and vote on the applications.*
- 232/22**      **Finance:** Council to
- 1) **authorise** and **note expenditure** and payments to be made as per document circulated
  - 2) **note** draft bank reconciliation as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022
  - 3) **note** income and expenditure as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022
  - 4) **agree** to revalidate Cllr John Seaton as new bank signatory and online banking signatory/verifier that can attend the bank in person, between 12<sup>th</sup> and end of January. (Metro have been unable to add Cllr John Seaton to the account but paperwork to now add him is now also out of date)
  - 5) **agree** revalidate the decision re the opening of an additional saving account to take Allotments payments (Metro were unable to open account when first agreed and now minutes are too old to be used to open)
- 233/22**      **Annual Meetings 2023:** Council to **consider** and **agree** date of next
- 1) Annual Meeting of the Council (must be held within 14 days of the election)
  - 2) Annual Assembly (must be held between 1<sup>st</sup> March and 1<sup>st</sup> June)

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- 234/22**      **Investments:** Council to **consider** as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes committee to
- 1) **adopt** the Investment Policy (v0.2)
  - 2) **agree** to the opening of additional interest earning savings accounts **as outlined in the circulated documents and for these to be opened**
- 235/22**      **Budget Draft 2023-24:** Council to **consider** and **agree** revised recommendation from Finance and General Policies committee
- 236/22**      **Precept 23/24:** Council to **consider** and **agree** recommendation (as per 16<sup>th</sup> November Council) from the Finance and General Policies committee to submit precept request to Ashford Borough Council by January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 237/22**      **Bybrook-Bockhanger Community Facility:**
- 1) Consultation – Council to **note** the current position and arrangements for the consultation including public and **agree** any actions next steps
  - 2) Youth Investment Fund – Council to **consider** response from Cllr Gerry Clarkson inviting us to meet and **agree** participants to attend (Thursday 12 January 14.00, Monday 16 January 10.30, Friday 20 January 14.00)
- 238/22**      **Faversham Road Layby:** Council to **consider** the latest response circulated to all from Kent County Council and **agree** any actions/reply.
- 239/22**      **First Hire Scheme:** Council to **consider** and **agree** to **adopt** this policy
- 240/22**      **Kennington (The Ridge) Coffee and Chat:** Council to **consider** proposal from the Clerk and if **agreed** to which option Council will **agree** to be taken forward.
- 241/22**      **Financial and risk assessment policy:** Council to **agree** revised policy as recommended by Finance and General Policies committee
- 242/22**      **DBS Checks:** Council to **consider** proposal for the DBS checks immediately for Clerk, Assistant Clerk once appointed and Councillors and Non-Councillors on request to the Clerk.
- 243/22**      **Personnel and Development Committee:**
- 1) **Recruitment:** Council to **note** oral report
- 244/22**      **Planning:** Council to **consider** and **agree** a response or actions as appropriate on
- 1) any planning applications received which have been received to date need a decision before 19<sup>th</sup> January
  - 2) response from ABC re the Tile Kilne Road proposal (PA/2022/2788) following Planning committee comments submitted.
- 245/22**      **Monthly Reports:** Council to **consider/note** information received relevant to the Council and **agree** any action/s necessary.
- 1) Correspondence received and details of upcoming local events
  - 2) Clerk update on current ongoing
  - 3) Ward Councillor Reports
  - 4) KALC Ashford
  - 5) KALC AGM
- 246/22**      **Action log:** Council to **review** action log, to **discuss** developments for items to then to be considered for motion for the next or future meeting or to **note** and be **recorded** as complete.
- 247/22**      **Items for inclusion on the forthcoming agenda/s.** (*Items currently include, Litter Bins Update, Grasmere Road Town Green, Beecholme Drive Town Green, Code of Conduct, Maximising IT Working/Task and Finish Group, Scheme of Delegation, Policy revision Planner, Addressing Poverty*)

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- 248/22      **Date of next meeting.**
- 249/22      **To exclude the public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 and sections 100 & 102 of the Local Government Act 1972.**
- 250/22      **IT Equipment:** Council to **consider** the revised plan and costings for the clerk to make the order as soon as possible and with items still being available.
- 251/22      **Allotment Maintenance Contract:** Council to **consider** and **agree** re the new annual quotation from our current suppliers for the maintenance contract to commence on 01<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 31 December 2023
- 252/22      **Noticeboard:** Council to **consider** proposal from the clerk re the broken noticeboard in Upper Vicarage Road,
- 253/22      **Close of meeting.**

Signed

***Deborah Prior***

Clerk

**To join the meeting please contact the Clerk before 5pm on  
Tuesday, 13 December 2022**

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