

You are hereby summoned to attend an extraordinary meeting of the

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Date: Monday 31 January 2022
Time: 6.30 p.m.
Venue: Town Hall, High Street, Maidstone

Membership:

Councillors Bartlett, Mrs Blackmore, Brice, Brindle, Bryant, Burton, Cannon, Clark, Coates, Cooke, Cooper, Cox, Cuming, Daley, English, Eves, Fissenden, Forecast, Fort, Garten, Mrs Gooch (Mayor), Mrs Grigg, Harper, Harwood, Hastie, Hinder, Holmes, Joy, Khadka, Kimmance, McKay, McKenna, Mortimer, Munford, Naghi, Newton, Parfitt-Reid, Perry, Purle, Mrs Ring, Mrs Robertson, D Rose, M Rose, Round, Russell, J Sams, T Sams, Spooner, Springett, Trzebinski, R Webb, S Webb, de Wiggondene-Sheppard, Wilby and Young

AGENDA

Page No.

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Applications for Dispensations
3. Disclosures by Members and Officers
4. Disclosures of Lobbying
5. To consider whether any items should be taken in private because of the possible disclosure of exempt information.
6. Mayor's Announcements
7. Petitions
8. Question and Answer Session for Members of the Public
9. Questions from Members of the Council to the Chairmen of Committees

Issued on Friday 21 January 2022

Continued Over/:

Alison Broom

Alison Broom, Chief Executive

10. Oral Report of the Democracy and General Purposes Committee to be held on 26 January 2022 - Appointment of Independent Person for the Independent Remuneration Panel 1

INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

In order to ask a question at this meeting, please call **01622 602899** or email committee@maidstone.gov.uk by 5 p.m. one clear working day before the meeting (i.e. by 5 p.m. on Thursday 27 January 2022). You will need to provide the full text in writing.

Questions must relate to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

In order to make a statement in relation to an item on the agenda, please call **01622 602899** or email committee@maidstone.gov.uk by 5 p.m. one clear working day before the meeting (i.e. by 5 p.m. on Thursday 27 January 2022). You will need to tell us which agenda item you wish to speak on.

If you require this information in an alternative format please contact us, call **01622 602899** or email committee@maidstone.gov.uk.

To find out more about the work of the Council, please visit www.maidstone.gov.uk.

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL

31 JANUARY 2022

**REPORT OF THE DEMOCRACY AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2022**

**APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSON FOR THE INDEPENDENT
REMUNERATION PANEL**

In accordance with the requirements of the [Local Authorities \(Members' Allowances\) \(England\) Regulations 2003](#), the Council is required to have an Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) whose purpose is to make recommendations to the Council on its Members' Allowance Scheme and that of Parish Councils. These include recommendations on childcare allowances, pension arrangements, and travel and subsistence among other considerations.

An executive system of governance will be introduced with effect from the annual meeting of the Council in May 2022. The IRP is required to meet to review the Members' Allowance Scheme ahead of the new governance arrangements coming into place.

The panel consists of three independent people, and there is currently one vacancy. At its meeting on 26 January 2022, the Committee will interview candidates in closed session for the position and make a recommendation to Council that the preferred candidate be appointed to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel when it meets in February 2022.

The recommendation of the Democracy and General Purposes Committee will be reported orally to the Council at the meeting on 31 January 2022.