

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Date: Wednesday 21 February 2024
Time: 6.30 p.m.
Venue: Town Hall, High Street, Maidstone

Membership:

Councillors Bartlett, Mrs Blackmore, Bryant, Burton, Cannon, Clark, Cleator, Coates, Conyard, Cooke, Cooper, Cox, Eagle, English, Forecast, Fort, Garten, Mrs Gooch, Mrs Grigg, Harper, Harwood, Hastie, Hinder, Holmes, Jeffery, Jones, Joy, Khadka, Kimmance, Knatchbull, McKenna, Mortimer, Munford, Naghi, Newton (Mayor), Parfitt-Reid, Perry, Reid, Riordan, Mrs Robertson, Rose, Round, Russell, J Sams, T Sams, Spooner, Springett, M Thompson, S Thompson, Trzebinski, Webb, Wilby, D Wilkinson, J Wilkinson and T Wilkinson

AGENDA

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1. Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Dispensations (if any)
4. Disclosures by Members and Officers
5. Disclosures of Lobbying
6. To consider whether any items should be taken in private because of the possible disclosure of exempt information.
7. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Borough Council held on 29 November 2023 1 - 11
8. Mayor's Announcements
9. Petitions
10. Question and Answer Session for Local Residents

Issued on Tuesday 13 February 2024

Continued Over/:

Alison Broom

Alison Broom, Chief Executive

11. Questions from Members of the Council to the
 - (a) Leader of the Council
 - (b) Cabinet Members
 - (c) Chairmen of Decision-Making Committees
12. Current Issues - Report of the Leader of the Council, Response of the Group Leaders and Questions from Council Members
13. Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2023/24 12 - 17
14. Report of the Democracy and General Purposes Committee held on 31 January 2024 - Amendments to the Constitution 18 - 30
15. Report of the Employment Committee held on 1 February 2024 - Pay Policy Statement 2024 31 - 58
16. Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget Proposals 2024/25 59 - 195
17. Report of the Leader of the Council - Urgent Decisions Taken by the Cabinet 196 - 197
18. Calendar of Meetings 2024/25 198 - 204
19. Appointment of Mayor Select 2024/25
20. Appointment of Deputy Mayor Select 2024/25

INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

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