

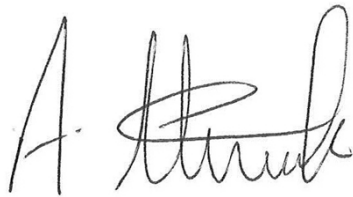
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**TO: EVERY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND the Meeting of the Council of the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead to be held in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Maidenhead** on **Tuesday, 24 April 2018 at 7.30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out hereunder.

Dated this Monday, 16 April 2018



Managing Director

Rev	Swift	will	say
prayers		for	the
meeting.			

## **A G E N D A**

### **PART I**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence

2. COUNCIL MINUTES

To receive the Part I minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20 February 2018.

(Pages 9 - 32)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest  
(Pages 33 - 34)

4. PETITION FOR DEBATE

A petition containing 1,583 signatories was submitted to the Council on 29 March 2018. In accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution, it was requested by the lead petitioner that the petition be reported to, and debated at, a full Council meeting. The petition reads as follows:

*We the undersigned petition The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead to ensure that redevelopment plans for the York Road area include a replacement community centre*

Details can be viewed on the link below: <http://petitions.rbwm.gov.uk/save-the-centre/>

The Constitution provides for a maximum time of 30 minutes to debate such petitions; this can be overruled at the Mayor's discretion.

In accordance with the Constitution, the order of speaking shall be as follows:

- a) The Mayor may invite the relevant officer to set out the background to the petition issue.
- b) The Lead Petitioner to address the meeting on the petition (5 minutes maximum)
- c) The Mayor to invite any relevant Ward Councillors present to address the meeting. (Maximum time of 3 minutes each for this purpose)
- d) The Mayor to invite the relevant officer to provide any further comment.
- e) The Mayor will invite all Members to debate the matter (Rules of Debate as per the Constitution apply)

(Pages 35 - 38)

## 5. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive such communications as the Mayor may desire to place before the Council  
(Pages 39 - 40)

## 6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- a) Lars Swann of Clewer South ward will ask the following question of Councillor Rankin, Lead Member for Economic Development, Property, Communications and Deputy Finance:**

What help can the council give to help save The Swan pub in Clewer village?

*(A Member responding to a question shall be allowed up to five minutes to reply to the initial question and up to two minutes to reply to a supplementary question. The questioner shall be allowed up to 1 minute to put the supplementary question)*

## 7. PETITIONS

To receive any petitions presented by Members on behalf of registered electors

for the Borough under Rule C.10.

*(Any Member submitting a petition has up to 2 minutes to summarise its contents)*

8. APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY OFFICERS

To consider the above report  
(Pages 41 - 44)

9. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY POLICY

To consider the above report  
(Pages 45 - 58)

10. ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD ELECTORAL REVIEW -  
SUBMISSION ON DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

To consider the above report  
(Pages 59 - 82)

11. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

**a) Councillor Hill will ask the following question of Councillor Bicknell, Lead Member for Highways and Transport:**

When Oldfield School was proposed to be built on Braywick Park a roundabout on Braywick Road with crossing points was deemed necessary at the entrance. Now with a busy leisure centre approved for construction and a school in the pipeline why is no roundabout being planned?

**b) Councillor C Rayner will ask the following question of Councillor Bicknell, Lead Member for Highways, Transport & Windsor:**

What are the arrangements for the upcoming Royal Wedding in Windsor and why there has not been wider consultation of ward councillors and the Tourism Development Forum, given the event will affect everybody living in the Royal Borough?

**c) Councillor E. Wilson will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams Principal Member for Housing:**

The Local Government Ombudsman has recently upheld a complaint regarding a homelessness application to this Council. Will the Principal Member for Housing explain how he intends to respond to this decision?

**d) Councillor Carroll will ask the following question of Councillor S Rayner, Lead Member for Culture and Communities:**

Could the Lead Member please explain to me the process being followed and action being taken to reinstall the much admired traditional steel railings in Grenfell Park, Boyn Hill, which were recently removed without Lead and Ward

Member consultation and which has caused understandable upset amongst many of my residents?

- e) Councillor Bhatti will ask the following question of Councillor Rankin, Lead Member for Economic Development, Property, Communications and Deputy Finance**

The Swan plays a vital part in the life and social interaction of the Clewer North community. Please can the lead member give reassurances that all options will be considered in making this site an asset of community value and that the lead member would be happy to discuss the issue with my local residents?

- f) Councillor Brimacombe will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams, Principal Member for Housing:**

What is the publication date for the promised 'Affordable Housing' paper and will it address in detail all of the ten questions from RRAG, plus questions (under topics of Money, Products, Policy and Ratio) asked by me for the (cancelled) February Councillor briefing? Specifying to Council any questions that Cllr McWilliams considers will be too difficult for him to answer.

- g) Councillor Brimacombe will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams, Principal Member for Housing:**

On 4th February 2018 Councillor McWilliams tweeted that he would shortly hold a public meeting on Affordable Housing, which did not take place. The scheduled 19th February Councillor briefing was cancelled. Does Cllr McWilliams have any plans at all to consult with anybody regarding Affordable Housing and if so, then who, when and how, and if not, then why not?

- h) Councillor Hill will ask the following question of Councillor N. Airey, Lead Member for Children's Services:**

Oldfield School pupils only got 40% of their 1st choice places with only 2 girls out of 7 going to Newlands. Why, when you knew all the class sizes, gender mix and likely 1st place choices did you do nothing for Oldfield school children?

- i) Councillor Majeed will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams, Principal Member for Housing:**

The RBWM was found at fault by the Local Government Ombudsman in dealing with one of our vulnerable homeless residents suffering from mental health issues. It was not just Housing who had let this individual down but also Adult Services, so why was the LGO complaint report 16-003-062 not sent to the Adult Services & Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel?

- j) Councillor Majeed will ask the following question of Councillor Targowska, Principal Member for HR, Legal and IT:**

Residents have been put on the vexatious list. Can you please inform Council how many residents who have a democratic right to question the council have been excluded by being placed on the 'vexatious list', on what grounds have these decisions been made and by whom, and what is the appeal process, if any?

**k) Councillor Jones will ask the following question of Councillor Coppinger, Lead Member for Planning and Health:**

Could the Lead Member for Planning give Full Council and residents an update on the progress of the Borough Local Plan and likely timescales for approval.

**l) Councillor Da Costa will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams, Principal Member for Housing:**

At the last Council meeting, in relation to the Homelessness Strategy you said, “the council would be consulting widely, including forming a fully formalised Homelessness Forum”. What progress has the Council made on the Homelessness Strategy, who has it consulted with so far (individuals and organisations) and, how many times has the Homelessness Forum met?

*(The Member responding has up to 5 minutes to address Council. The Member asking the question has up to 1 minute to submit a supplementary question. The Member responding then has a further 2 minutes to respond.)*

**12. MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

**a) By Councillor Dudley**

This Council:

- i) Is concerned that The Pubs Code Adjudicator is failing to tackle the financial unbalance suffered by tied tenants in its borough and around the country.
- ii) Notes that the case of The Barley Mow demonstrates clearly that, in its current format, the secondary legislation is not fit for purpose, as it is clearly unable to offer tied tenants a simple and easy path to severing their tied terms, as was the intention of Parliament.
- iii) Requests the Leader of the Council to write to Richard Harrington MP, urging him to take this issue to the Secretary of State, Greg Clark MP, copied to Theresa May MP, so he can take the necessary steps to make the legislation work, as a matter of urgency

**b) By Councillor Carroll**

I would like to thank our partner organisations for the critical work they do in providing access and support to victims, and providing crucial education and awareness on domestic violence and abuse.

This Council:

- i) Continues to robustly adopt a zero tolerance approach to any form of domestic violence and abuse, and strongly reaffirms our steadfast commitment to tackle domestic violence and abuse through our public health strategy, joint health and well-being strategy, and awareness campaigns;

- ii) Encourages anybody from any background who is suffering from the impact of domestic violence and abuse to come forward and get the help and support they need from the police, the council, health services or key partner organisations such as DASH, Victim Support or the 24 hour National Domestic Violence Helpline;
- iii) Resolves to promote awareness across the Borough to ensure residents understand what constitutes domestic violence and abuse and who they can go to locally to access support.

**c) By Councillor Beer**

This Council:

- i) Notes that the government has proposed that it confirms its provisional approval of a third Heathrow runway in the coming months.
- ii) Agrees urgent Borough publicity including public presentations to empower residents to inform MPs and Ministers of their objections to the inevitable and irreversible impacts on the housing crisis, infrastructure and the quality of life.

**d) By Councillor Beer**

This Council:

- i) Notes that there is evidence that the progression of the River Thames Scheme is in doubt as several riparian Councils cannot commit to its funding.
- ii) Urges the Government to fully fund the essential project as it is totally unjustified to burden a few communities to fund the safe disposal of water from such a vast catchment area.

**13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

To consider passing the following resolution:-

"That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting whilst discussion takes place on item 14 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1-7 of part I of Schedule 12A of the Act"

## **PRIVATE MEETING**

### 14. MINUTES

**(Not for publication by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972)**

To receive the Part II minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20 February 2018.

(Pages 83 - 84)

## **COUNCIL MOTIONS – PROCEDURE**

- Motion proposed (mover of Motion to speak on Motion)
- Motion seconded (Secunder has right to reserve their speech until **later** in the debate)
- Begin debate

Should An Amendment Be Proposed: (only one amendment may be moved and discussed at any one time)

NB – Any proposed amendment to a Motion to be passed to the Mayor for consideration before it is proposed and seconded.

- Amendment to Motion proposed
- Amendment must be seconded BEFORE any debate can take place on it  
(At this point, the mover and seconder of original Motion can indicate their acceptance of the amendment if they are happy with it)
- Amendment debated (if required)
- Vote taken on Amendment
- If Agreed, the amended Motion becomes the substantive Motion and is then debated (any further amendments follow same procedure as above).
- If Amendment not agreed, original Motion is debated (any other amendments follow same procedure as above).

- The mover of the Motion has a right to reply at the end of the debate on the Motion, immediately before it is put to the vote.
- At conclusion of debate on Motion, the Mayor shall call for a vote. Unless the vote is unanimous, a named vote will be undertaken, the results of which will be announced in the meeting, and recorded in the Minutes of the meeting.

*(All speeches maximum of 5 minutes, except for the Budget Meeting where the Member proposing the adoption of the budget and the Opposition Spokesperson shall each be allowed to speak for 10 minutes to respectively propose the budget and respond to it. The Member proposing the budget may speak for a further 5 minutes when exercising his/her right of reply.)*