# NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



# **COUNCIL**

Monday, 20 July 2020

# YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD REMOTELY AT:

https://www.youtube.com/user/NorthamptonBCTV

ON MONDAY, 20 JULY 2020 AT 6:30 PM WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED

## 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES.

To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Council held on 15 June 2020.

- 3. APOLOGIES.
- 4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS
- 6. MEMBER AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
- 7. CABINET MEMBER PRESENTATIONS
- 8. OPPOSITION GROUP BUSINESS

Councillor G Eales to make a statement on "A Recovery Plan for Northampton – Clean, Safe and Green"

9. MEMBER/OFFICER PROTOCOL

#### 10. CHANGE TO COMMITTEE PLACES

#### 11. NOTICES OF MOTION

i) Councillor Smith to propose and Councillor Stone to second:

"Predictions are there is going to be a spike in evictions this Autumn following the Covid-19 crisis moratorium on evictions and the movement of people. Our social lettings agency has an ever more important role to mitigate against this happening.

We call on the Council to invest to save by renting or buying up houses to let in the private sector where tenants or landlords are defaulting."

ii) Councillor Russell to propose and Councillor Ashraf to second:

"Since lockdown began on 26 March, the borough of Northampton has been overwhelmed with illegal dumping and fly tipping, filling our streets and any available vacant area with evil smelling and unsightly rubbish. Our residents pay their ever-increasing council tax and find themselves facing the most appalling situations.

We call on the Council to set up a multi-agency team to track down perpetrators and ensure the appropriate action is taken:

- against criminal and illegal operators who knowingly rob their customers by charging for the removal of rubbish, which is later dumped in our streets;
- against landlords who dump household waste on pavements;
- against and being seen to impose hefty fines on social groups and partygoers who leave piles of used food containers and bottles on our parks;
- to actively support tenants and residents who want to use the recycling depots but for whatever reason are unable to, and;
- to work with the University to offer a collection service to student landlords."
- iii) Councillor King to propose and Councillor Nunn to second:

"This Council recognises the importance of Northampton's arts and cultural sector as the 'soul' of Northampton and will work with our Conservative MPs and central government to access Northampton's portion of the record-breaking national support package, the biggest ever one-off investment in UK culture. This will not only help to secure local jobs, but also mean that our iconic venues can weather the storm created by coronavirus and come back stronger, and continue to be there for local residents and future generations to enjoy. This council will work tirelessly to ensure that this sector emerges from this crisis by continuing to invest in the work of our Heritage, Culture and Communities team in order to provide the support required."

iv) Councillor Larratt to propose and Councillor Aziz to second:

"This Council notes the decision of the Planning Committee not to object in principle to the County Councils application to develop the North West Relief Road. (N/2019/0840).

It has been the policy of this Council to support the development and delivery of the Northern Orbital Road as a matter of urgency.

This Council notes the comments of the Planning Committee with regard to the provision

of the Northern Orbital Road.

This Council confirms its position requiring that the Norther Orbital Road be developed and delivered as a matter of urgency to support the North West Relief Road, and that this be communicated to NCC."

12. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

George Candler – Chief Executive The Guildhall Northampton

## **Public Participation**

# 1. Comments and Petitions

1.1 A member of the public (or an accredited representative of a business ratepayer of the Borough) may make a comment or present a petition on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. A comment or presentation of a petition shall be for no more than three minutes. No notice of the nature of the comment to be made or of the petition is required except for the need to register to speak by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

(Public comments and petitions will not be taken and the Annual Council Meeting or other civic or ceremonial meetings.)

## *NOTES*

- i. Comments may be on one or more subjects but each person has no longer than three minutes to have their say.
- ii. The same person may make a comment and present a petition on different subjects. In such instances that person will have three minutes to make their comment and a separate three minutes to present a petition.

## 2. Member and Public Questions

- 2.1 A member of the public (or business ratepayer of the Borough) may ask a maximum of two written questions at each meeting, each limited to a maximum of 50 words, on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. Each question shall:
  - be submitted in writing and delivered, e-mailed to Democratic Services no later than 10.00am seven calendar days before the day of the meeting; and
  - include the name and address of the questioner and the name of the Cabinet member/Committee Chair to whom the question is put.
- 2.2 At the meeting, copies of all questions and the responses to them from the public and Members will be made available to the public and press. The Mayor may allow one supplementary question, without notice, that arises directly from the original question or response.

(Questions will not be taken at the Annual Council Meeting or at civic or ceremonial meetings or meetings called to deal with specific items of business.)

#### **NOTES**

In respect of paragraph 2.1 above, questions may be rejected on certain grounds that are set out on page 4-12 of the Council's Constitution and which may be viewed at <a href="https://www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/download\_info.php?fileID=1919">www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/download\_info.php?fileID=1919</a> or by seeking advice using the contact details below.

## 3. Motions

3.1 A member of the public may register to speak to a motion under the 'Notices of Motion' item on the agenda. Registration to speak must be made to Democratic Services by 12 noon on the day to the meeting. Speaking to a motion is restricted to three minutes per person.

(The 'Notices of Motion' item will not be taken at the Annual Council meeting or meetings called for civic or ceremonial purposes.)

#### 4. General

A member of the public may make a comment, present a petition, ask a question or speak to a motion at the same meeting subject to the restrictions set out above.

## 5. Contacts

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