Wednesday, 1 December 2021

Meeting of the Council

Dear Member

I am pleased to invite you to attend a meeting of Torbay Council which will be held in **The Forum, Riviera International Conference Centre, Chestnut Avenue, Torquay, TQ2 5LZ** on **Thursday, 9 December 2021** commencing at **5.30 pm**

The items to be discussed at this meeting are attached.

Yours sincerely,

Anne-Marie Bond Chief Executive

(All members are summoned to attend the meeting of the Council in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972 and Standing Orders A5.)

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Meeting of the Council Agenda

- 1. Opening of meeting
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Minutes (Pages 5 8)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 4 November 2021.

- 4. Declarations of interests
- (a) To receive declarations of non pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

For reference: Having declared their non pecuniary interest members may remain in the meeting and speak and, vote on the matter in question. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

(b) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

For reference: Where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest he/she must leave the meeting during consideration of the item. However, the Member may remain in the meeting to make representations, answer questions or give evidence if the public have a right to do so, but having done so the Member must then immediately leave the meeting, may not vote and must not improperly seek to influence the outcome of the matter. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.

(**Please Note:** If Members and Officers wish to seek advice on any potential interests they may have, they should contact Governance Support or Legal Services prior to the meeting.)

5. Communications

To receive any communications or announcements from the:

- Civic Mayor this will include a community presentation Britain in Bloom for Torbay;
- Leader of the Council;
- Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinator;
- Council's representative on the Heart of the South West Joint Committee; and
- Chief Executive.

6. Public question time

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To hear and respond to any written questions or statements from members of the public which have been submitted in accordance with Standing Order A24.

7. Members' questions

(Pages 10 - 11)

To respond to the submitted questions asked under Standing Order A12.

8. Thanks to the former Worshipful the Mayor of Torbay and her Escort for their term of office from 2019 to 2021

The Council to convey its thanks to the former Worshipful the Mayor of Torbay and her Escort and present the former Civic Mayor's badge.

(Note: due to the Covid pandemic, the physical presentation of the former Civic Mayor's badge was unable to take place at the Annual Council meeting.)

9. Proposed Council Tax Support Scheme 2022/23

(Pages 12 - 21)

To consider the recommendation of the Cabinet on the 2022/23 Council Tax Support Scheme.

10. Council Tax Base 2022/2023

(To Follow)

To consider a report on the above.

11. Gambling Act 2005 - Licensing Statement of Principles 2022 to 2025

(Pages 22 - 77)

To consider a report and recommendations of the Cabinet, which seek approval of the Gambling Act 2005 – Licensing Statement of Principles 2022 to 2025.

12. Decision to opt in to the national scheme for Auditor Appointments with Public Sector Audit Appointment (PSAA) as the 'Appointing Person'

(Pages 78 - 83)

To consider a report that sets out proposals for appointing the external auditor to the Council for the 2023/24 accounts and beyond.

13. Treasury Management Mid-Year Review 2021/22

(Pages 84 - 102)

To note a report that sets out the Treasury Management decisions made during the first part of 2021/22.

14. Statutory Officer Appointment - Scrutiny Officer

To confirm the statutory officer appointment for the Scrutiny Officer.

15. Standing Order D11 (in relation to Overview and Scrutiny) - Call-in and Urgency

(Page 103)

To note the schedule of Executive decisions to which the call-in procedure does not apply.

Meeting Attendance

Torbay Council continues to operate in a Covid-19 secure manner in order to protect staff and visitors entering Council buildings and to help reduce the spread of Covid-19 in Torbay. This includes social

distancing and other protective measures (e.g. wearing a face covering (unless exempt), signing in and using hand sanitiser). Our public meetings will continue to operate with social distancing measures in place and as such there are limited numbers that can access our meeting rooms. Also, to help prevent the spread of the virus, anyone attending meetings is asked to take Covid lateral flow test the evening before - if you have a positive test result, please follow the Government's guidelines and do not attend the meeting.

If you wish to attend a public meeting, please contact us to confirm arrangements for your attendance.