

South
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District Council

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Council Meeting Thursday, 15 April 2021

Agenda and Reports

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# **South Cambridgeshire District Council**

TO: The Chair and Members of the South Cambridgeshire District Council

**Notice Is Hereby Given** that the next meeting of the **Council** will be held as a **Virtual meeting - Online** at **2.00 P.M.** on

# Thursday, 15 April 2021

and I therefore summon you to attend accordingly for the transaction of the business specified below.

Dated this 7 April 2021

# Liz Watts Chief Executive

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#### Agenda

# 1. Appointment of Vice Chair of Meeting

To appoint a Vice Chair for the meeting.

#### 2. Apologies

To receive Apologies for Absence from Members.

#### 3. Declaration of Interest

#### 4. Register of Interests

Members are requested to inform Democratic Services of any changes in their Register of Members' Financial and Other Interests form.

#### 5. Minutes

To authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2021 as a correct record.

(Pages 1 - 40)

#### 6. Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chair, Leader, the executive or the head of paid service.

#### 7. Questions From the Public

To answer any questions asked by the public.

The deadline for receipt of public questions is noon on Thursday 8 April 2021.

The Council's scheme for public speaking at remote meetings may be inspected here:

Public Questions at Remote Meetings

#### 8. Petitions

To note that a petition has been received from Anthony Browne MP asking the Council to oppose the inclusion of Thakeham's proposal in South West Cambridgeshire in the emerging Greater Cambridge Local Plan. Officers have acknowledged receipt of the petition and are considering the next steps in accordance with the Petitions Scheme.

## 9. To Consider the Following Recommendation:

# 9 (a) Pay Policy Statement 2021 (Employment & Staffing Committee - 15 March 2021)

The Employment and Staffing Committee, at its meeting on 15 March 2021

#### RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL

Approve the Pay Policy Statement for 2021.

(Pages 41 - 54)

#### 10. Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority

Attached are the reports summarising the work of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority from 22 February to 5 March 2021.

(Pages 55 - 64)

# 11. Greater Cambridge Partnership

Attached is a summary of the decisions taken at a meeting of the Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board at its meeting of 18 March 2021.

(Pages 65 - 68)

#### 12. OxCam Arc

To receive an update on the work of the Oxford-Cambridge Arc.

(Pages 69 - 72)

# 13. Appointments and membership of Committees

- (a) To note that the Leader has appointed Councillor John Batchelor as a member of the Cabinet.
- (b) To endorse the following appointments:

- (i) The election of Councillor Pippa Heylings as Chair of the Planning Committee, following Councillor John Batchelor's resignation from that role;
- (ii) The election of Councillor Henry Batchelor as the Vice Chair of the Planning Committee.
- (c) To note the following changes in membership of committees and substitute arrangements:
  - (i) The appointment of Councillor Henry Batchelor as an ordinary member of the Planning Committee;
  - (ii) The appointment of Councillor John Batchelor as a substitute member of the Planning Committee.
- (d) To note and endorse the appointment of Councillor John Williams in place of Councillor Bridget Smith on the Board of Cambridgeshire Horizons, at the Board's next annual meeting.
- (e) To note and endorse that Councillor Eileen Wilson will take Councillor Bridget Smith's place on the Combined Authority Housing Committee.
- (f) To note and endorse any other changes in membership of committees or substitute arrangements which have been made in accordance with the wishes of the Leader of the political group to which the seat has been allocated.

#### 14. Questions From Councillors

A period of 30 minutes will be allocated for this item to include those questions where notice has been provided (as set out on the agenda below) and questions which may be asked without notice.

Members wishing to ask a question without notice should indicate this intention to the Interim Democratic Services Team Manager prior to the commencement of the item. Members' names will be drawn at random by the Chairman until there are no further questions or until the expiration of the time period.

# 14 (a) From Councillor Dr Claire Daunton

Can the Leader update Council on the current status of the five-year housing land supply?

#### 14 (b) From Councillor Sarah Cheung-Johnson

Northstowe residents are very pleased to hear about the £5million plus investment the council is putting into Northstowe, which shows the importance this administration puts on community and placemaking through deeds and not just words - please would the Leader explain what the next steps are and how residents might get involved in shaping their new facilities?

#### 14 (c) From Councillor Ian Sollom

Can the Leader please update Council on the planning status of the South West Cambridgeshire development?

## 14 (d) From Councillor Pippa Heylings

Can the Leader tell Council how many businesses have received hardship grants since November 2020?

#### 14 (e) From Councillor Heather Williams

Does the Leader agree that any cancellations of full council meetings should be done in consultation with Group Leaders of all political parties and the independent group convenor, and will the Leader agree to look at amending the constitution accordingly?

# 14 (f) From Councillor Dr Richard Williams

Will the Leader give an update on the progress of work on the next local plan and, specifically, when we can expect the list of preferred sites to be released to the public?

#### 14 (g) From Councillor Sue Ellington

What steps and innovations are the administration taking to address the significant increase in residents suffering loneliness as a result of the pandemic?

#### 14 (h) From Councillor Graham Cone

Will the Leader agree to review the Discretionary business support grant criteria, to bring it in line with other local councils that allow for hackney and private hire drivers that do not live within South Cambs, but are Licensed within the District, to qualify for support providing they have not received a grant from another Local Authority?

### 15. Chair's Engagements

To note the Chair's engagements since the last Council meeting:

Date	Venue/Event
March	
24	Environmental Services and Waste Depot at Waterbeach, visit of the Princess Royal

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