



SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL
Municipal Year 2018/19

Thursday, 12 July 2018

**COUNCIL CHAMBER
CIVIC OFFICES
SWINDON**

11 July 2018

Dear Councillor,

Summons to attend Council Meeting

A MEETING of the **Council**, which you are requested to attend, is to be held at the CIVIC OFFICES, SWINDON, on **Thursday, 12 July 2018 at 7.00 p.m.**

The business to be transacted will be as follows:-

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Communications**
To receive any communications or letters which the Mayor or Interim Chief Executive may have to bring before the Council.
- 3. Minutes** (Pages 7 - 12)
To receive the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 4. Declarations of Interest**
Members are reminded that at the start of the meeting they should declare any known interests in any matter to be considered, and also during the meeting if it becomes apparent that they have an interest in the matters being discussed.

5. Public Question Time

See explanatory note below.

6. Minutes for Confirmation (Pages 13 - 46)

(1) To consider a Minute for Confirmation from Cabinet:

- 12 – Councillors' Allowances 2019/20 – Recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel.

(2) To consider a Minute for Confirmation from the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- Minute 8 – One Swindon Health and Wellbeing Board – Revised Terms of Reference.

(3) To note Minutes from Cabinet:

- Minute 8 – Motion to Amend Central Residents' Season Ticket.
- Minute 9 – Traffic Management Act 2004 – Enforcement Powers.

7. Council Petition Scheme (Pages 47 - 52)

To consider any petition received in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

8. Motions

(a) Motion - Children's Services
Councillor Carol Shelley will move:

"This Council notes:

- The findings of Ofsted's recent visit of the multi-agency safeguarding hub (MASH), which includes that some children had been at risk of harm as a result of delays in decision-making.
- The fact that the NSPCC has described itself worried that the Council is making "slow progress" over Ofsted's initial concerns.
- That there has been a 75% increase in children with Child Protection Plans over the last four years due to fears they had been neglected.
- That Swindon is the largest town in the country without a Children's Centre.

Council requests the new Cabinet Member for Children and School Attainment to undertake a review of the Council's policy towards Children's Centres and submit a report to Cabinet."

(b) Motion - Committee System
Councillor Stan Pajak will move and Councillor Jim Grant will second:

"This Council:

- Believes its current decision-making structure isn't sufficient to utilise

the expertise and experience of all elected Councillors.

- Recognises that other local authorities in England have used the provision in the Localism Act (2011) to enable them to move from the Strong Leader and Cabinet executive arrangement to the Committees System.
- Believes the Committees System will enable the Council to debate alternatives to Council policies in a meaningful and open way and will encourage a broader and properly informed debate about the future of the Council and the Swindon Borough.
- Requests the Corporate Governance Review Working Party work up proposals on how the Council can amend its decision-making structure to the Committees System with a view to having these decision-making structure in place by the 2019 Annual Council Meeting.”

(c) **Motion - Town Centre**

Councillor Bob Wright will move:

“This Council recognises:

- The long-term sustainability issues of leading high street stores as a result of changing consumer habits.
- The Council needs to act to support Town Centre stores’ efforts to survive. If the Council does not act we risk local jobs, our local residents shopping experience and our Town Centre as a destination of choice.
- Many out of town stores benefit from free parking and whilst the council needs revenue to cover parking operation costs it can still act with flexibility to offset and encourage Town Centre use. This can be done by changing its parking arrangements at times of low usage so they become more attractive and in turn help shops at a time when they struggle to attract custom.

Council requests the Cabinet Member for Economic Prosperity to investigate, and seek to provide, free Town Centre parking between the hours of 3pm and 8pm daily and report his findings to the Cabinet.”

(d) **Motion - Scores on the Doors**

Councillor Oliver Donachie will move and Councillor Emma Faramarzi will second:

“This Council notes:

(1) The ongoing work by the Borough Council and its partners, especially Switch on to Swindon, to promote Swindon.

(2) The importance of leisure to complement retail in town centres, of which good, hygienic places to eat are an essential element.

(3) The benefits to customers being able to know which cafes and

restaurants achieve the desired standard of hygiene, in a quick and easy format that is immediately viewable at the location as shown by the “scores on the doors.”

(4) That where there are devolved legislatures, it is already a requirement to display this information.

Therefore, this Council requests:

That the Leader of the Council write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities, and Local Government to request that English legislation is aligned to make it a duty for premises to display the “scores on the doors”.

(e) **Motion - Plastic Recycling**
Councillor Dale Heenan will moved and Councillor Matthew Courtliff will second:

“This Council welcomes the way the BBC Blue Planet programme has raised awareness of plastic and litter on wildlife in our oceans, and notes that Swindon Borough Council will be developing a new Waste Strategy during 2018, and has already achieved significant diversion of waste from landfill through recycling and turning into refuse derived fuel.

This Council resolves to provide leadership on this issue by:

- Asking the Cabinet Member for Finance of the Council to bring a report to Cabinet on how the Council could phase out all single use plastics, including cups, lids, plastic bottles, plastic-lined cardboard within council managed buildings within 12 months, and encouraging the elimination of single use plastic within its supply chain by 2021.
- Asking the Cabinet Member for Highways and the Environment, and the Community & Place Overview Committee, to investigate all of the possible ways to reduce plastic use, and improve the amount of plastic collected, to provide input into a new robust Waste Strategy - whether that is simplifying collections and better resident communications through to enforcement and how takeaway’s are licensed.
- Requesting that the Leader of the Council write to businesses such as Cineworld, Empire and GWR asking that they set an example with their customers by eliminating plastic straws, spoons, cups and other single use plastics.
- Requesting that the Leader of the Council writes to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to invite him to use Swindon as a plastic deposit return pilot scheme.”

9. Hannington Neighbourhood Plan (Pages 53 - 116)

To consider the approval of the Decision Statement relating to the Hannington Neighbourhood Plan

10. Appointments to Committees (Pages 117 - 120)

11. Minutes of Cabinet and Decisions Delegated to Cabinet Members (Pages 121 - 132)

Members have the opportunity to raise questions with the relevant Cabinet Member in respect of Cabinet minutes (which are not reserved for Council for decision) and in respect of individual Cabinet Member delegated decisions.

12. Minutes of other Council Bodies

Members have the opportunity to raise questions with the relevant Chair in respect of all other Committee minutes (not reserved to Council for decision), as set out in the Minute Book circulated separately.

13. Councillors Question Time

Questions (if any) of which notice has been given by Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 15.

Yours faithfully

Director of Law and Democratic Services

Questions by Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 11

Swindon Borough Council remains committed to increasing its accountability to the public and to promoting active citizenship. 15 minutes will be allowed at the start of all Council meetings for questions to the Chair from the public about the work of the Committee (except for confidential matters, and matters relating to planning and licensing applications). We will give priority to those who submit questions in writing at least two days before the meeting. Questions must be relevant, clear, and concise. You may not use Public Question Time as an opportunity to make speeches or statements.

Questions in writing should be sent to the Committee Officer whose contact details appear on the agenda above or to the Director of Law and Democratic Services, we will publish it, along with the answer, alongside the Minutes. The process associated with asking a public question is set out in the "Public Question Time at Council Meetings Protocol and Guidance" available on the Council's Website

(<http://ww5.swindon.gov.uk/moderngov/ecCatDisplay.aspx?sch=doc&cat=13338&path=0>) or from the Committee Officer named above.

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