



**SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Municipal Year 2018/19**

**Thursday, 24 January 2019**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER  
CIVIC OFFICES  
SWINDON**

16 January 2019

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, 24 January 2019 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 Chief Executive may have to bring before the Council.
- 3. Minutes** (Pages 9 - 16)  
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 17 - 112)

(1) To consider Minutes for Confirmation from the Licensing Committee:

- Minute 19 - Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Licensing Principles.
- Minute 25 - Introduction of a Local Policy in respect of Home Boarding Businesses with Additional Hosts.
- Minute 26 - Street Trading.

(2) To note a Minute from the Scrutiny Committee:

- Minute 51 - Possible effects of leaving the EU.

## **7. Motions**

(a) **Motion - Climate Change**  
**Councillor Cathy Martyn will move:**

“That this Council:

Recognises that:

1. Climate change is a reality and a world-wide effort is essential to cut greenhouse gas emissions in order to avoid a catastrophic temperature rise of more than 2 degrees.
2. The UK has a world-first Climate Change Act with a legally-binding target of an 80 per cent emissions cut by 2050, and shorter-term national carbon budgets ensuring year-on-year emissions cuts.
3. Local authorities have a big say in how we heat and power our homes and how we get around, and are vital to building low carbon communities and meeting our national climate commitments.
4. It makes good economic sense to continue to take action now to drastically cut greenhouse gas emissions. If we delay acting on emissions, it will only mean more radical intervention in the future at greater cost, and larger impacts on society.

Notes that:

1. The Government has made a commitment to be the first generation to leave the environment in a better state than we inherited it and we welcome the Environment (Principles and Governance) Bill, the first in over twenty years, which will be an essential step towards this goal. The Government has pledged to support increased biodiversity and thriving plants and wildlife and to continue to clean up our air and our water, creating a healthier environment.
2. This Administration will continue to commit to cutting down unnecessary resource use and waste, reducing our impact on the world and shaping

a more efficient, sustainable and competitive economy. Nothing is more important than demonstrating our responsibilities to the next generation. Tackling climate change is an essential to those responsibilities. We must rise to the challenge.

3. Taking action now can also help to achieve long-term, sustainable economic growth from a low-carbon economy. Benefits of the development of green industries in the town include the potential for create well-paid, high-skilled employment locally, regionally and nationally.

Requests that the Leader of the Council:

1. Calls on the Government to provide additional powers and resources to ensure that local authorities such as Swindon Borough Council can help deliver on its ambitious targets for a reduction in Global Warming to less than 2%
2. Request the Cabinet to consider adopting a Risk Management Approach where all future Key Decisions are be considered for their impact on Climate Change and for relevant Policies to consider a sensible mix of approaches for reducing the risks and taking advantage of the opportunities presented by climate change.”

(b) **Motion - Domestic Abuse**  
**Councillor Mary Martin will move:**

“That this Council:

Recognises that:

1. Each year nearly 2 million people in the UK suffer some form of Domestic Abuse.
2. Anyone can be a victim of Domestic Abuse, regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, socio-economic status, sexuality or background.
3. Domestic Abuse can manifest itself in many ways including; emotional, physical, sexual, psychological and financial.

Notes that:

1. The Council is already engaged in awareness and education around Domestic Abuse including the work carried out through the Community Safety Partnership Board to increase the local communities and organisations understanding and awareness of the extent and impact of Domestic Abuse.
2. The Council places a lot of emphasis on prevention and early intervention and is committed to working with partners to seek resolutions to reduce the prevalence of domestic abuse and to provide support for children and young people whose lives are affected by domestic abuse.

Requests that the Cabinet Member for Public Safety:

1. 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 taking a public health approach with our multi-agency Domestic Abuse Strategy and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, supported by awareness campaigns.
2. 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 extensive range of partners working collaboratively with Swindon Borough Council including the police, health services, schools and other key partner organisations such as the 24 hour English National Domestic Violence Helpline, Swindon Women's Aid, Citizens Advice Bureau, Victim Support and Galop.
3. Resolves to continue to promote awareness across the Borough to ensure residents, both adults and children, understand what constitutes domestic violence and abuse and who they can go to locally to access support."
4. Welcomes the Final Report and Recommendations of the Domestic Abuse Task Group to the Adult's Health, Social Care and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HHAOSC) in April 2019 and ensures that the recommendations contained in the report receive the weight of consideration due to such an important subject.
5. Ensures that the Swindon and Wiltshire CSPs are requested to take the lead in continuing to deliver a high level of service to support those who experience Domestic Abuse, with a particular focus on early intervention, vulnerability and health connections.
6. Ensures that the CSP considers how best to promote engagement and work to include wider partnership, the private sector, the MOD, especially Army.
7. Be asked through the CSP to build on GP/GWH work being delivered by SWA and look to extend this into Wiltshire.
8. Ensure that the outcomes of the meeting between Swindon CSP, Wiltshire CSP and the Police which will take place in the near future be taken to the CSP to ensure that any request for relevant action is discussed and followed up.

(c) **Motion - Land for Development**  
**Councillor Chris Watts will move and Councillor Jane Milner-Barry will second:**

"This Council:

- Reaffirms its commitment to protecting allocated "Open Space" and "Strategic Green Corridor" parcels of land as defined and universally agreed upon within the Local Plan 2015.

- Reasserts, builds upon and prioritises the importance of adequate and strategic green and open space as a vital component part to delivering a framework to contribute to health and wellbeing when considering the next revision of the Local Plan.
- Notes Central Swindon South Parish Council's, known as South Swindon Parish Council, request for the Council to transfer to the Parish Council the parcels of land set out below on 99 year leases to protect them from potential development.

Site description: Lakeside - shela id: S0388

site description: Land north of Coate roundabout - shela id: S0256 (Oldlands Walk)

site description: Land east of 261 Marlborough Road - shela id: S0288

- Requests the Cabinet Members for Strategic Planning and Finance bring a report to Cabinet outlining how the Council could meet this request from Central Swindon South Parish Council."

(d) **Motion - Toothill Open Space**  
**Councillor Steph Exell will move:**

"This Council:

- Notes the concerns of Toothill residents regarding the allocation of sites within Toothill that were on the Council's Strategic Housing and Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA).
- Notes that a Cabinet Member Decision Note from the Deputy Leader of the Council had been consulted on proposing to dispose of four sites along Bodiam Drive to the private sector for housing through the Swindon Housing Company.
- Notes that a petition has been started both in paper copy and online that has obtained 573 signatures calling on the Council to protect the open spaces along Bodiam Drive and across Toothill and not to sell them off for development.
- Welcomes the announcement from the relevant Cabinet Member that sites along Bodiam Drive will be removed from the updated SHELAA, but is concerned that there are still sites in Toothill that are green spaces that have not been removed.
- Is concerned that there has been no announcement from the Deputy Leader of the Council that his proposal to sell-off parcels of land for development have been scrapped.
- Requests the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning to remove all green spaces in Toothill from the SHELAA and requests the Deputy

Leader of the Council to formally withdraw the Cabinet Member Decision Note proposing to dispose of four parcels of land along Bodiam Drive for development from the private sector and to give Ward Councillors all sites being considered for development through the Housing Company.”

(e) **Motion - Great Western Hospital Brighter Futures**  
**Councillor Jim Robbins will move and Councillor Claire Ellis will second:**

“This Council:

- Notes the successful fundraising projects held in towns and cities around the country where sculptures are decorated and then installed for visitors to see as part of a trail, and then auctioned off for charity. Such projects include the Elephant Parade in London, the SuperLambBanana in Liverpool and the Wallace and Gromit trail in Bristol.
- Notes the outstanding efforts by the Great Western Hospital (GWH) Foundation Trust Brighter Futures Appeal and the people of Swindon to fundraise £2.7m for the planned Radiotherapy centre at the hospital.
- Further notes that there are a number of excellent artists in the town, such as David Bent, Ken White and all those who contribute to Swindon Open Studios.
- Asks the Leader of the Council present a report to Cabinet considering the options of how the Council can organise Swindon’s own trail with sculptures decorated by local artists and use it to raise money for the GWH Brighter Futures appeal.”

**8. Appointment to Other Bodies**

To approve that Councillor Dale Heenan replaces Councillor Garry Perkins as a Council representative serving on the Wiltshire Heritage Building Trust for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2018/19.

**9. Minutes of Cabinet and Decisions Delegated to Cabinet Members**

(Pages 113 - 126)

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.

**10. 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.

**11. Councillors Question Time**

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

Yours faithfully

Stephen Gerrard

Interim Director of Law

### **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 Shaun Banks (07980752047 [sbanks@swindon.gov.uk](mailto:sbanks@swindon.gov.uk)) or to the Interim Director of Law, 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.

**Access Arrangements** - The venue is wheelchair accessible and an infrared receiver hearing system is provided. If you have any special requirements to enable you to attend the meeting or would like to receive any of the pages contained in this agenda in a larger print size, please contact the Committee Officer as soon as possible prior to the date of the meeting.