

**You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the
MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Date: Wednesday 19 February 2025
Time: 6.30 p.m.
Venue: Town Hall, High Street, Maidstone

Membership:

Councillors Barwick, Burke, Cannon, Clark, Cleator, Coates, Conyard, Cooke, Couch, Cox, Dawes, English, Field, Forecast, Fort, Mrs Gooch, Greenan, Harper, Harwood, Higson, Jeffery, Jenkins-Baldock, Jones, Kehily, Khadka, McKay, Milham, D Naghi, M Naghi, Oliver, Parfitt, Perry (Mayor), Riordan, Rodwell, Round, Russell, J Sams, T Sams, Spooner, Springett, Summersgill, Sweetman, M Thompson, S Thompson, Trzebinski, Wales, Wilby, D Wilkinson and J Wilkinson

AGENDA

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1. Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Applications for Dispensations (if any)
4. Disclosures by Members and Officers
5. Disclosures of Lobbying
6. To consider whether any items should be taken in private because of the possible disclosure of exempt information
7. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Borough Council held on 4 December 2024 1 - 3
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9. Mayor's Announcements
10. Petitions
11. Question and Answer Session for Local Residents

Issued on Tuesday 11 February 2025

Continued Over/:

Alison Broom

Alison Broom, Chief Executive

12. Questions from Members of the Council to the
 - (a) Leader of the Council
 - (b) Cabinet Members
 - (c) Chairmen of Decision-Making Committees
13. Current Issues - Report of the Leader of the Council, Response of the Group Leaders and Questions from Council Members
14. Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2024/25 14 - 20
15. Report of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee held on 13 January 2025 - Independent Member 21 - 22
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17. Report of the Cabinet held on 5 February 2025 - Maidstone Local Development Scheme Update 53 - 71
18. Report of the Cabinet held on 5 February 2025 - Corporate Strategy 2025 - 2035 72 - 144
19. Report of the Cabinet held on 5 February 2025 - Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget Proposals 2025/26 145 - 274
20. Calendar of Meetings 2025/26 275 - 281
21. Appointment of Mayor Select 2025/26
22. Appointment of Deputy Mayor Select 2025/26

INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

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