

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL



Date: Wednesday 15 December 2010
Time: 7.00 p.m. or at the conclusion of the first extraordinary meeting of the Borough Council, whichever is the later
Venue: Town Hall, High Street, Maidstone

Membership:

Councillors Hotson (The Mayor), Ash, Barned, Beerling, Mrs Blackmore, Bradshaw, Brindle, Burton, Butler, Chittenden, Daley, English, Field, FitzGerald, Garland, Mrs Gibson, Mrs Gooch, Greer, Ms Griffin, Harwood, Hinder, Mrs Hinder, Horne, Mrs Joy, Miss Langley, Lusty, Marchant, B Mortimer, D Mortimer, Naghi, Nelson-Gracie, Paine, Parr, Parvin, Mrs Parvin, Paterson, Pickett, Mrs Ring, Robertson, Mrs Robertson, Ross, Sams, Sellar, Sharp, Sherreard, Mrs Smith, Mrs Stockell, Thick, Verrall, Vizzard, Warner, Mrs Wilson, J A Wilson, J E Wilson and Yates

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7. Petitions

- (1) Notice has been given pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11 of the intention to present a petition in the following terms:-

Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment

We, the undersigned, call on Maidstone Borough Council to commission a new Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment that protects green spaces and ensures that any new areas identified for housing are served properly by existing schools, roads and other infrastructure.

- (2) Notice has been given pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11 of the intention to present a petition in the following terms:-

Development on Land South of the Village School in Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea

We, the undersigned, request Maidstone Borough Council to refuse to grant planning consent for the development which has taken place on land south of the Village School in Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea and to take enforcement action on the basis that the unauthorised development is damaging to the open countryside.

- (3) Notice has been given pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11 of the intention to present a petition in the following terms:-

Concurrent Functions

We, the undersigned, believe that the removal of the Concurrent Functions Grant will seriously undermine the provision of essential local services or lead to a significant percentage increase in the tax burden on residents of parished areas. We further believe that the proposal will cause a grossly unfair difference in the treatment of

residents between parished and unparished areas. We call upon Maidstone Borough Council to rescind its proposed abolition of the Concurrent Functions Grant and replace this with cuts in line with Maidstone Borough Council's overall three year budget reduction strategy, i.e. an approximate across-the-board 10% reduction.

8. Question and Answer Session for Members of the Public
9. Questions from Members of the Council to the
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 - (b) Cabinet Members
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