

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

Date: Wednesday 30 September 2020

Time: 6.30 p.m.

Venue: Remote Meeting - The public proceedings of the meeting will be broadcast live and recorded for playback on the Maidstone Borough Council website

Membership:

Councillors Adkinson, Bartlett, Mrs Blackmore, Brice, Brindle, D Burton, M Burton, Chappell-Tay, Clark, Cox, Cuming, Daley, English, Eves, Fermor, Fissenden, Fort, Garland, Garten, Mrs Gooch, Mrs Grigg, Harper, Harvey, Harwood, Hastie, Hinder, Joy, Khadka, Kimmance, Lewins, McKay, Mortimer, Munford, Naghi, Newton, Parfitt-Reid, Perry, Powell, Purle, Mrs Ring (Mayor), Mrs Robertson, D Rose, M Rose, Round, J Sams, T Sams, Spooner, Springett, Vizzard, Webb, de Wiggondene-Sheppard, Wilby and Young

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**AGENDA**

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1. Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. 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 meeting of the Borough Council held on 15 July 2020 1 - 10
8. Mayor's Announcements
9. Petitions

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**Issued on Tuesday 22 September 2020  
Over/:**

**Continued**

*Alison Broom*

**Alison Broom, Chief Executive**

Notice has been given pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 13 of the intention to present a petition in the following terms:

We the undersigned request our Elected Representatives in Maidstone Borough to:

- Challenge and campaign against National Government's Housebuilding targets.
- Rethink the building of Garden Communities. They are not an appropriate planning policy for the Borough of Maidstone, especially in places like Lenham Heath, Marden and Langley as perfect examples.
- Not accept new housebuilding levels that are unsustainable for the Borough of Maidstone.
- Complete a full infrastructure assessment before the Local Plan Review and ensure all historical infrastructure issues are rectified across the Borough before projects commence.
- Be transparent and engage Parish Councils and local communities before any final decisions are made with regards to planning and new developments in the area.

10. Question and Answer Session for Members of the Public
11. Questions from Members of the Council to the Chairmen of Committees
12. Current Issues - Report of the Leader of the Council, Response of the Group Leaders and Questions from Council Members
13. Report of the Communities, Housing and Environment Committee held on 25 August 2020 - Request to Reduce the Number of Nominative Trustee Positions from the Cutbush and Corral Charity (Incorporating the Quested Almshouse Charity) 11 - 12
14. Report of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee held on 14 September 2020 - Audit, Governance and Standards Committee - Annual Report to Council 2019/20 13 - 22
15. Oral Report of the Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Committee to be held on 22 September 2020 - Local Development Scheme 2020-2022 (September 2020 Edition) and Maidstone Statement of Community Involvement September 2020 23 - 75
16. Notice of Motion - Anti-Idling Campaign  
Notice of the following motion has been given by Councillor Adkinson, seconded by Councillor Harper:

Following the question to Council by a member of the public at its meeting on 15 July 2020, and whilst welcoming the findings of Maidstone Borough Council's 2020 air quality Annual Status Report, it is disappointing to note that the provisions of Regulation 12 of The Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2002 have still not been implemented by Maidstone Borough Council.

These provisions are even more relevant today as the country slowly emerges from lockdown due to Covid-19.

Schools are back, but social distancing rules and understandable anxiety of parents have meant that fewer journeys to schools are being made by public transport. It is estimated that you would need at least 5 times the number of buses the UK currently has to enable safe social distancing. Therefore, there are now more cars on our already polluted roads than ever before – all pumping out noxious fumes.

Idling is detrimental to the modern automotive engine, but even more seriously idling engines are adding to already bad air pollution. Air pollution is linked to poor recovery and higher infection rates of Covid-19 due to damage caused to the lungs.

This Council therefore resolves to ensure that the provisions of Regulation 12 of The Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2002 are enacted immediately, with appropriate publicity, training of enforcement officers, engagement with local businesses, bus and taxi operators and presentations in schools as has been done in the London-wide Idling Action's #enginesoff campaign.

17. Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Amendments to the Constitution 76 - 86

18. Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees 87 - 91

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19. Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees 92 - 95

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACTING AS CORPORATE TRUSTEE OF THE CHARITY KNOWN AS THE QUEEN'S OWN ROYAL WEST KENT REGIMENT MUSEUM TRUST**

20. Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees 96 - 99

21. Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Call-In of Policy and Resources Decisions on Property Acquisition 1 and Property Acquisition 2 100 - 105

**PART II**

**To move that the public be excluded for the item set out in Part II of the Agenda because of the likely disclosure of exempt information for the reasons specified having applied the Public Interest Test.**

	<b>Head of Schedule 12A and Brief Description</b>	
22. Exempt Appendix 2 to the Report of the Head of Policy, Communications and Governance - Call-In of Policy and Resources Decisions on Property Acquisition 1 and Property Acquisition 2	3 – Financial/Business Affairs	106 - 129

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