NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Thursday, 28 September 2006

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON THURSDAY, THE TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006 AT SIX THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED:-

1. MINUTES.

To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th July 2006.

- 2. APOLOGIES.
- 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- 4. DEPUTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES/QUESTIONS.
- 5. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURAL RULE 5.2.

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

(A)The following motion to be moved by Councillor Malpas and seconded by Councillor Duncan:-

"That procedural rule 3.4 be suspended to enable the following motion to be discussed and a vote to be taken

Council welcomes the decision of Cabinet on 11th September to support the preparation of a Joint Core Strategy for West Northamptonshire and commends all involved for their hard work.

Council agrees with the Administration that completion of the Local Development Plans is vital to the future prosperity and improvement of Northampton and that they should be produced as quickly as possible, taking into account the available resources and due process."

(B)The following motion to be moved by Councillor Hollis and seconded by Councillor Simpson:-

"That procedural rule 3.4 be suspended to enable the following motion to be discussed and a vote taken

While this Council appreciates the need to focus on improvement it also recognises the urgent need to address the causes of climate change

This Council calls for a council-wide environmental audit to be undertaken as soon as possible to identify ways in which we can improve the environmental performance of the Council, reduce our environmental footprint, mitigate the effects on climate change and identify future savings in taxpayers money. We encourage our partners to do the same."

The following motion to be moved by Councillor Miah and seconded by Councillor Palethorpe:-

"That procedural rule 3.4 be suspended to enable the following motion to be discussed and a vote to be taken

This Council reaffirms its commitment to support tenants wishes for housing to remain under the control of Northampton Borough Council. This Council is committed to working with tenants and the "Tenants Participation Panel" to identify future ways of managing the stock and giving the tenants a greater role in the management of their homes.

This Council recognises the need for more affordable housing in Northampton. Council will continue to ensure through the planning framework as well as working with partners and agencies to develop options to meet the needs of those on the housing waiting list, first time buyers and key workers.

This Council will continue to support tenants right to buy."

7. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY - ANNUAL REPORT

(copy herewith)

8. CONSTITUTION - REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL WORKING PARTY

(copy herewith)

9. LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE - REPORT OF SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL

(copy herewith)

10. NOMINATIONS TO OUTSIDE BODIES - NORTHAMPTON THEATRES TRUST - REPORT OF SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL

(copy herewith)

11. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.