NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Monday, 27 October 2008

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON MONDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2008 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 Special Meeting of the Council held on 29 September 2008.

- 2. APOLOGIES.
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS
 - (i) Petition from residents of South Priors Court area for action to prevent use of open space by travellers.
 - (ii) Other.

6. MEMBER AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Copies of the questions and answers are attached.

7. CABINET MEMBER PRESENTATIONS

8. REMUNERATION PANEL

Report of Chief Executive

9. PARISH COUNCILS: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS

Report of the Borough Solicitor

10. CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

Report of Borough Solicitor

11. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS OF MONITORING OFFICER AND SECTION 151 OFFICER

Report of Borough Solicitor.

12. OPPOSITION GROUP BUSINESS

Councillor Hadland to make a statement regarding the Council's current financial position.

13. MOTIONS

(A) Councillor Yates to move and Councillor Perkins to second the following motion:-

"This Council wishes to recognise the exceptional efforts of individuals who live or work in, or are otherwise connected with Northampton. It therefore requests Cabinet to bring forward proposals, based on the policy adopted by this Council on 8 November 2004, but never implemented, for a scheme of Citizen Awards.

Further, this Council believes that there should be no award exclusively for councillors or ex-councillors. This Council therefore resolves to end the Practise of granting the title of Honorary Alderman forthwith and instructs Monitoring Officer to make the necessary changes to the council's constitution to this effect."

(B) Councillor Collins to move and Councillor Davies to second the following motion:-

"This Council supports South Northamptonshire District Council in their determination to retain the Formula 1 Grand Prix at Silverstone. We recognise that the county as a whole derives great benefit from the motor sport industries that have been drawn to the area by the presence of the Silverstone circuit, as well as the ancillary businesses which have grown up to support these high-tech enterprises."

(C) Councillor Paul Varnsverry to move and Councillor Glynane to second the following motion:-

"This Council recognises that large-scale fires in industrial buildings risk the lives of the public and emergency service personnel as well as causing serious damage to the environment and the local economy.

This Council supports the efforts of the Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service to encourage wider installation of automatic sprinkler systems in industrial buildings, where appropriate within the Borough.

This Council asks the West Northants Joint Strategic Planning Committee to consider including a requirement for sprinkler systems in appropriate new buildings within the Local Development Framework process."

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

The Guildhall Northampton 17th October 2008

D. Kennedy Chief Executive