NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Thursday, 20 May 2010

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON THURSDAY, 20 MAY 2010 AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED:-

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

Councillor Church to propose and Councillor Beardsworth to second: "That Councillor Marianne Taylor be elected Mayor of the Borough of Northampton for the ensuing year."

After election the Mayor will make the declaration of acceptance of office.

The Mayor's Serjeant will invest the Mayor's consort (Mr Martin Taylor) with his chain of office.

The Mayor will thank the Council for her election.

2. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING MAYOR AND MAYORESS

Councillor B Hoare to propose and Councillor Palethorpe to second: "That the thanks of the Council be given to Councillor Michael Hill and Mrs Margaret Hill for the able and courteous manner in which they have discharged their duties as Mayor and Mayoress during their term of office."

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Malpas to propose and Councillor Davies to second: "That Councillor Jamie William Lane be appointed to the office of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year."

After appointment the Deputy Mayor will make the declaration of acceptance of office.

The Mayor's Serjeant will invest the Deputy Mayor's consort (Mrs Victoria McKee) with her badge of office.

4. APOLOGIES.

5. LONG SERVICE

To record the long service of the following employees;

25 years : M. Cumbleton, K. Holmes, G. Hunt, J. Longhurst, F. McGown, C. Martin, C. Porter, K. Smith- Whelan, and R. Williamson.

35 years: K. Sawyer

6. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Yates to propose and Councillor Meredith to second:

"That Councillor Brian Hoare be appointed Leader of the Council and Councillor Paul Varnsverry be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council."

7. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION GROUP

Councillor Hadland to propose and Councillor Caswell to second:

"That Councillor Palethorpe be appointed Leader of the Opposition and Councillor Larratt be appointed Deputy Leader of the Opposition."

8. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE LABOUR GROUP

Councillor Scott to propose and Councillor Davies to second:

"That Councillor Mason be appointed Leader of the Labour Group and Councillor I Choudary be appointed Deputy Leader of the Labour Group."

9. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE INDEPENDENT GROUP

Councillor Mildren to propose and Councillor Hawkins to second:

"That Councillor Clarke be appointed Leader of the Independent Group and Councillor Hawkins be appointed Deputy Leader of the Independent Group."

10. CABINET

To record the following appointments to the Cabinet for 2010-11:

Councillor B. Hoare- Partnerships and Improvement

Councillor P. D. Varnsverry- Community Engagement

Councillor Beardsworth- Housing

Councillor Church- Planning and Regeneration

Councillor Crake- Environment

Councillor B. Markham- Performance and Support

Councillor Perkins- Finance

At this juncture the Council meeting will adjourn to 6.30pm on 24 May 2010.

11. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

(copy herewith)

12. COMMITTEE PROPORTIONALITY

(copy herewith)

13. MEETINGS CYCLE 2010/11

(copy herewith)

14. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Mayor to propose: "That the Annual Meeting of the Council take place on 19th May 2011 and that the other meetings of the Council take place on 24 May, 12 July, 13 September, 25 October, 6 December 2010, 17 January, 28 February, and 14 March 2011."

15. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

(copy herewith)

16. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(copy herewith)

17. CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

To consider the appointment of the following Councillors with whom consultations shall be held by the named Officer under the terms set out and delegated by the Council:

Community Enabling Fund Advisory Panel (Chief Executive) Councillors J. Conroy, Flavell, I. Markham, Palethorpe, Scott and P.D. Varnsverry.

Markets Matters (Director of Environment and Culture) Councillors Church, Flavell, Hadland, Scott, and Woods. (One vacancy)

The Guildhall Northampton 12 May 2010

D. Kennedy Chief Executive

Public Participation

1. Comments and Petitions

1.1 A member of the public (or an accredited representative of a business ratepayer of the Borough) may make a comment or present a petition on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. A comment or presentation of a petition shall be for no more than three

minutes. No notice of the nature of the comment to be made or of the petition is required except for the need to register to speak by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

(Public comments and petitions will not be taken and the Annual Council Meeting or other civic or ceremonial meetings.)

NOTES

- i. Comments may be on one or more subjects but each person has no longer than three minutes to have their say.
- ii. The same person may make a comment and present a petition on different subjects. In such instances that person will have three minutes to make their comment and a separate three minutes to present a petition.

2. Member and Public Questions

- 2.1 A member of the public (or business ratepayer of the Borough) may ask a maximum of two written questions at each meeting, each limited to a maximum of 50 words, on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. Each question shall:
 - be submitted in writing and delivered, faxed or e-mailed to Democratic Services no later than 10.00am seven calendar days before the day of the meeting; and
 - include the name and address of the questioner and the name of the Cabinet member/Committee Chair to whom the question is put.
- 2.2 At the meeting, copies of all questions and the responses to them from the public and Members will be made available to the public and press. The Mayor may allow one supplementary question, without notice, that arises directly from the original question or response.

(Questions will not be taken at the Annual Council Meeting or at civic or ceremonial meetings or meetings called to deal with specific items of business.)

NOTES

In respect of paragraph 2.1 above, questions may be rejected on certain grounds that are set out on page 4-7 of the Council's Constitution and which may be viewed at www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/download_info.php?fileID=1919 or by seeking advice using the contact details below.

3. Motions

3.1 A member of the public may register to speak to a motion under the 'Notices of Motion' item on the agenda. Registration to speak must be made to Democratic Services by 12 noon on the day to the meeting. Speaking to a motion is restricted to three minutes per person.

(The 'Notices of Motion' item will not be taken at the Annual Council meeting or meetings called for civic or ceremonial purposes.)

4. General

A member of the public may make a comment, present a petition, ask a question or speak to a motion at the same meeting subject to the restrictions set out above.

5. Contacts

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