

Notice of Council



Date: Tuesday, 12 July 2022 at 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth BH2 6DY

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Cllr M Andrews
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Cllr A M Stribley
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Cllr K Wilson

All Members of the Council are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below. The press and public are welcome to view the live stream of this meeting at the following link: <https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MId=5028>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: on 01202 096660 or democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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GRAHAM FARRANT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

4 July 2022



Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests



What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer
(susan.zeiss@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence from Councillors.

2. Declarations of Interests

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meetings held on 26 April 2022 which was reconvened on 10 May 2022, the Extraordinary Council meeting on 10 May 2022, the Annual Council meeting on 10 May 2022 and the Extraordinary Council meeting on 21 June 2022.

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4. Announcements and Introductions from the Chairman

To receive any announcements from the Chairman.

5. Public Issues

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution, which is available to view at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

The deadline for the submission of a public question is 4 clear working days before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a public statement is midday the working day before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a petition is 10 working days before the meeting

6. Petition - Stop women being harassed and intimidated outside the Ophir Road abortion clinic

Council is advised that a petition with 2,788 valid signatures has been received from Sister Supporter Bournemouth requesting that:

“We the undersigned petition the council to take all measures within its power, including but not limited to the establishment of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO), to move anti-abortion groups away from the area immediately outside the BPAS abortion clinic on Ophir Road, Charminster (to a distance of at least 150m). This will allow women and pregnant people to access its services free from interference and intimidation and to prevent

the detrimental impact this activity is having on local residents.”

In accordance with the Constitution a petition with 2,000 + signatures will be referred for debate at a meeting of full Council. The Council is asked to consider the petition and to determine next steps.

Notice of Motion in accordance with Procedure Rule 9 in relation to this matter

The following motion submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 9 of the Meeting Procedure Rules has been proposed by Councillor Millie Earl and seconded by Councillor Lisa Lewis.

The Council notes:

2,788 people who live, work or study within the BCP area have signed the Sister Supporter petition calling on BCP Council to take measures to stop harassment and intimidation of women as they access services at the BPAS Bournemouth Abortion Clinic.

This motion is explicitly not one for or against abortion, which is available in Great Britain in the circumstances laid out in the Abortion Act 1967. It is a motion that seeks to protect the rights of individuals from harassment and intimidation when accessing legally existing health services and of local residents not to be exposed to related disruption and distress.

Many protesters use deliberately disturbing and graphic images, distribute leaflets containing misleading information about abortion, hang baby clothes on the bushes and hold ‘vigils’ which staff and visitors are subjected to as they enter or leave the clinic. Significant numbers of women report feeling intimidated and distressed by this activity as they try to access a lawful healthcare service in confidence.

The right to protest needs to be balanced with the right of women and pregnant people to choose and to obtain advice and treatment in confidence and free from intimidation. Those who wish to campaign to restrict women’s reproductive choices have plenty of opportunities and locations in which to do so. The area outside a clinic need not and should not be one of them.

Equally, local residents who live on Ophir Road and surrounding streets should not have to be exposed to constant nuisance, disruption and anxiety caused by such protests on a daily basis. Further, staff at BPAS Bournemouth Clinic should be protected from bullying and intimidation at their place of work.

In April 2018, Ealing Council became the first in the UK to use a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to protect women from “intimidation, harassment and distress” outside the Marie Stopes clinic. Since then, two other councils, Richmond and Manchester, have successfully introduced ‘buffer zones’ using PSPO legislation and Birmingham City Council has recently finished consulting on the use of a PSPO to do the same.

Council resolves to:

- (a) Take all measures within its power, including consulting on a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO), to move anti-abortion groups away from the area outside the BPAS abortion clinic on Ophir Road, Charminster to a distance which prevents**

intimidation and harassment of people visiting the clinic;

(b) These measures should:

- (i) allow women and pregnant people to access services at the BPAS abortion clinic free from interference and intimidation;
- (ii) protect staff and visitors from harassment and intimidation;
- (iii) prevent the detrimental impact that anti-abortion groups have on the residents of Ophir Road and the surrounding area.

7. Recommendations from Cabinet, the Leader and other Committees

Please refer to the recommendations below.

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| 7 | (a) | Cabinet 25 May 2022 - Minute No 7 - Harbourside Park - Strategic infrastructure improvements to the sluice channel linking Poole Park and Poole Harbour.

RECOMMENDED that Council approves the use of £1.239 million of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to Environment to detail design, obtain consents, and construct the sluice channel replacement and sluice gate upgrade and other associated activities as required to deliver the project to completion. | 65 - 76 |
| 7 | (b) | Cabinet 25 May 2022 - Minute No 8 - Our Museum: Poole Museum Estate Redevelopment Programme

RECOMMENDED that Council approves an increase in the capital budget of up to £1.41m for the Poole Museum Programme which is to be funded by: -
(a) Grant income of £0.23m from Historic England
(b) CIL funding of £0.5m
(c) Prudential Borrowing of £0.69m | 77 - 86 |
| 7 | (c) | Cabinet 22 June 2022 - Minute No 15 - 2021/22 Outturn Report

RECOMMENDED that Council: -
(a) approve that the final revenue surplus for the year of £6.8 million is added to financial resilience reserve with the extra £3.5m not assumed in the 2022/23 budget being used to mitigate the emerging inflationary cost of living pressures; and
(b) approve the capital virement as set out in paragraph 97.

Note – resolution (c) was determined by Cabinet. | 87 - 130 |

7	(d)	Cabinet 22 June 2022 - Minute No. 16 - Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Update RECOMMENDED that Council approve the second homes premium and revisions to empty homes premium subject to their confirmation via the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill. Note – recommendations (a) to (e) were determined by the Cabinet.	131 - 164
7	(e)	Cabinet 22 June 2022 - Minute No. 17 - BCP FuturePlaces Ltd - Revised Business Plan and Funding Mechanism RECOMMENDED that Council: - (a) approve an increase in the working capital loan facility to £8m (from £400k) to support BCP FuturePlaces Ltd from July 2022; and (b) approve the revised BCP FuturePlaces Ltd Business Plan attached to the report and the confidential Appendix 1. Note – resolutions (c) and (d) were determined by Cabinet.	165 - 232
7	(f)	Cabinet 22 June 2022 - Minute No 19 - Cemetery Regulations and Cemetery Fees Harmonisation for BCP Council Cemeteries It is RECOMMENDED that Council: (a) adopts the harmonised and updated Cemetery Rules and Regulations for all nine cemeteries to be adopted from 01 September 2022; and (b) adopts the harmonised cemetery fees for all nine cemeteries to be adopted from 01 September 2022.	233 - 272
7	(g)	The Leader 27 June 2022 - Disposal of 21 Mill Lane The Leader RECOMMENDS to Council that it; (A) agrees to the disposal of 21 Mill Lane, as outlined in red on the attached plan in Appendix 2, for the purchase price detailed in the confidential appendix to the report; (B) delegates authority to the Corporate Property Officer to finalise the detailed terms of the disposal.	273 - 282
8.		Appointment of Council Representative to Dorset Pension Fund Committee The Council is asked, in accordance with the Constitution, to approve the following change in Council representation on the Dorset Pension Fund Committee which is consistent with the current political balance of the Council. Councillor Toby Johnson to replace Councillor Bobbie Dove	

9. Notices of Motion in accordance with Procedure Rule 9

A – Barclays – Paris Agreement

The following motion submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 9 of the Meeting Procedure Rules has been proposed by Councillor Felicity Rice and seconded by Councillor Chris Rigby:

BCP council has declared a climate and ecological emergency. The towns of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole are at significant risk from sea level rise caused by global heating. Financial institutes are able to influence future global heating through their policies which should align with the Paris Agreement. We call on Barclays, as our banking provider and partner, to work with us to protect the inhabitants of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole by adopting climate policies that are acknowledged to be in keeping with the Paris Agreement.

B – Fair Trade

The following motion submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 9 of the Meeting Procedure Rules has been proposed by Councillor Simon Bull and seconded by Councillor Jackie Edwards:

BCP Council supports the principles of Fair Trade and, as an important consumer, the promotion and purchase of Fair Trade goods as part of our commitment to sustainable development.

The Council resolves:

- 1. To offer Fair Trade goods - for example products carrying the Fairtrade Mark wherever possible and available, when catering for Council meetings and functions.**
- 2. To implement Fair Trade through our procurement processes and those of our suppliers wherever possible.**
- 3. To appoint a named Council representative to support the work of the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Fairtrade Steering Group and to make other staff and resources available as and when appropriate and available.**
- 4. To promote Fair Trade issues and practices among local business, commercial and other organisations.**
- 5. To support the Group's communication plan.**
- 6. To share best practice with regard to Fair Trade and sustainable development with other public bodies, stakeholders and partners.**
- 7. To work with the Steering Group to ensure that BCP meets and exceeds the requirements necessary to maintain its status as a Fairtrade Zone.**

10. Questions from Councillors

The deadline for questions to be submitted to the Monitoring Officer is 4 July 2022.

11. Urgent Decisions taken by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Constitution

To consider any urgent decisions taken by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Constitution.

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.