

Notice of Council

Date: Tuesday, 23 April 2024 at 7.00 pm

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



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Cllr S Armstrong
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Cllr J Salmon
Cllr P Sidaway
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Cllr V Slade
Cllr M Tarling
Cllr T Trent
Cllr O Walters
Cllr C Weight
Cllr L Williams
Cllr K Wilson
Vacancy

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 attend or view the live stream of this meeting at the following link: <https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Mid=5387>

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

15 April 2024

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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
(janie.berry@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 Meeting held on 20 February 2024, reconvened on 27 February 2024.

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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. Further information on the requirements for submitting these 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 public questions is mid-day on Wednesday 17 April 2024 [mid-day 3 clear working days before the meeting].

The deadline for the submission of a statement is mid-day on Monday 22 April 2024 [mid-day the working day before the meeting].

The deadline for the submission of a petition is Tuesday 9 April 2024 [10 working days before the meeting].

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Recommendations from the Cabinet and Committees

Please refer to the recommendations detailed in items 6 to 11 below.

6. Cabinet 6 March 2024 - Minute No. 120 - Our People and Communities: 20mph Options Appraisal

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RECOMMENDED that a dedicated budget is included in the Local Transport Plan (LTP) Capital programme for 2024/25 financial year to recommence delivery of 20mph speed limits on a neighbourhood basis with a focus on residential roads and this is continued into future years subject to the availability of capital funding.

7.	<p>Cabinet 6 March 2024 - Minute No. 121 - Our Place and Environment: LTP Capital Programme 2024/25</p> <p>RECOMMENDED that: -</p> <p>(a) Council approves the 2024/25 LTP Capital Programme as set out in Appendix A and delegates the delivery to the Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Dynamic Places;</p> <p>(b) Council approves the indicative 2025/26 and 2026/27 Highways Maintenance Programmes as set out in Appendix B to the submitted report.</p>	75 - 84
8.	<p>Audit and Governance Committee 7 March 2024 - Minute No. 68 - Financial Regulations - Annual Evolution of the Financial Year 2024/25</p> <p>RECOMMENDED that that the Financial Regulations as shown in Appendix A (with the updated amendment to Paragraph 16 in Part G) be approved for adoption, with the operational ‘go live’ date being 24 April 2024.</p> <p>Paragraph 16 in Part G to be amended to read <i>“All procurement processes of any value covered by The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 must be agreed with and run by the SPT.”</i></p>	85 - 156
9.	<p>Cabinet 10 April 2024 - Minute No. 132 - Disposal of Land at Wessex Fields, Riverside Avenue</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: Should the Council wish to discuss the detail of Appendices 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 or 7 it will be necessary to exclude the press and public and move into exempt session. If applicable, the following resolution should be moved:</p> <p><i>“That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs such interest in disclosing the information.”</i></p> <p>RECOMMENDED that Council approve the disposal of the council owned land at Wessex Fields to the University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust on such terms to be approved by the Director of Finance acting in his capacity as Corporate Property Officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance.</p>	157 - 248
10.	<p>Cabinet 10 April 2024 - Minute No. 136 - SEND Programme of Expansion - Canford Heath Infant and Junior Schools</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: Should the Council wish to discuss the detail of Appendix 1 it will be necessary to exclude the press and public and move into exempt session. If applicable, the following resolution should be moved:</p> <p><i>“That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of</i></p>	249 - 258

business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs such interest in disclosing the information.”

RECOMMENDED that the total project budget as contained in **Appendix 1 (Exempt)** be approved. This will enable the scheme to progress in line with the project programme set out in paragraph 18. The project is fully funded from the Council’s high needs specialist provision capital grant allocation.

11. Audit and Governance Committee 11 April 2024 - Minute No. 78 - Review of the Council's Constitution - Recommendations of the Constitution Review Working Group

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RECOMMENDED that: -

- (a) in relation to Issue 1 (Budget and Policy Framework Approval Procedure Rules) the proposed amendment to insert the new Procedure Rules into Part 4E of the Constitution, as set out in Appendix 1 to this report, be approved;**
- (b) any necessary and consequential technical and formatting related updates and revisions to the Constitution be delegated to the Monitoring Officer.**

12. Consultation on the draft BCP Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule

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Following agreement to the draft CIL Charging Schedule at the 9 January 2024 Council meeting, further viability testing has been carried out resulting in more positive results for some areas of CIL charging. These changes could not be considered as minor and so Council is being asked to consider an updated charging schedule for public consultation.

13. Acceptance of the Household Support Fund 5

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On 6 March 2024 in the Spring Budget the Chancellor announced that the Household Support Fund (HSF) would be extended for a further six months, from 1 April 2024 to 30 September 2024, with a further £421m of funding. As has been done for previous schemes, the fund will be made available to County Councils and Unitary Authorities in England to support those most in need due to the Cost-of-Living situation.

BCP Council has been awarded an allocation of £2,653,367.04 by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). Council is requested to formally accept the funding in line with the Council’s Financial Regulations to enable plans to be put in place to support residents.

14. Notices of Motion in accordance with Procedure Rule 10
Cashless Only Council facilities

The following motion submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 of the Meeting Procedure Rules has been proposed by Councillor J Salmon and seconded by Councillor K Salmon: -

1. Council resolves to:

- a. acknowledge the importance of inclusivity and recognises the diverse financial circumstances of residents, including those who may be unbanked or underbanked.
- b. commit to ensuring that all policies and provisions are designed to be inclusive and considerate of the needs of all residents, regardless of their banking status.
- c. be aware of the significance of maintaining accessibility for all residents to council facilities, regardless of their financial situation, and express a commitment to finding solutions that do not disproportionately burden those without regular access to banking services.

2. Council:

- a. instructs the relevant officers to bring a report to the Portfolio Holder for Finance that reviews the decision and impact of the implementation of cashless-only provision at council facilities that covers:
 - The implications of the cashless-only policy on residents who are currently unbanked or underbanked
 - The reduction of income due to council service users and customers taking the business elsewhere
 - The consequences of encouraging cashless spending which can be more risky for those in financial difficulty
 - The future financial savings anticipated and those already realised from the move to cashless
- b. considers reinstating the acceptance of cash at council facilities if the review indicates that the cashless-only provision disproportionately impacts residents negatively relative to the envisioned savings.

15. Questions from Councillors

The deadline for questions to be submitted to the Monitoring Officer is Monday 15 April 2024.

16. 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.