



COUNCIL MEETING

19 July 2016



Communities Directorate

8 July 2016

**Council Meeting
19 July 2016**

The Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Chapel Road, Worthing

**6.30pm
Agenda**

ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL are hereby summoned to attend for the following business:

Part A

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**

Members and Officers must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any business on the agenda. Declarations should also be made at any stage such an interest becomes apparent during the meeting.

If in doubt contact the Legal or Democratic Services representative for this meeting.

- 3. Questions from the public**

To receive any questions from members of the public addressed to any member of the Executive in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11. There is up to 5 minutes for each question, one supplementary question may be asked arising from the original question.

Questions must relate to any matter the Council has power or which affects the Borough. Questions may not be asked in relation to

- a) A specific planning or licensing application
- b) A specific staffing appointment or appeal, or Standards determination

Public question time will last up to 30 minutes; questions will be taken in the order of receipt. The deadline for submission of questions is **Friday 15 July 2016 at 12 noon.**

Questions to be submitted to democratic.services@adur-worthing.gov.uk

For further information contact Julia Smith, Democratic Services Manager on Julia.smith@adur-worthing.gov.uk

4. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Friday 21 May 2016, previously circulated, a copy is available to view at: <http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/committees/worthing/council/>

5. Announcements by the Mayor, Leader of the Council, Executive Members and/or Head of Paid Service

(to include the presentation of the Vote of Thanks to past Mayor, Mr Donin)

6. Items raised under urgency provisions

To consider any items the Mayor has agreed are urgent.

7. Recommendations from the Executive and Committees to Council

To consider recommendations to the Council, recommendations under item 7A are attached to the agenda, recommendations for item 7B will follow when published. Full reports are available on the website as listed below:

	Executive/Committee	Date	Item
A	Joint Strategic	2 June 2016	<p>i MRP Statement</p> <p>http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,139987,en.pdf</p> <p>ii Empty Homes Policy</p> <p>http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,139988,en.pdf</p>
B	Joint Strategic	13 July 2016	<p>i) Joint Revenue Outturn 2015/16</p> <p>http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140521,en.pdf</p> <p>ii) Capital and Projects Outturn for Joint, Adur and Worthing 2015/16</p> <p>http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140522,en.pdf</p> <p>iii) Capital Strategy 2016/19</p>

[http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/
media,140523,en.pdf](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140523,en.pdf)

iv) Strategic Property Investment
Fund for 2016/17

[http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/
media,140525,en.pdf](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140525,en.pdf)

v) Redevelopment of Union
Place

[http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/
media,140527,en.pdf](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140527,en.pdf)

vi) Action on Public Health:
Shaping the next phase of the
Wellbeing Programme

[http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/
media,140528,en.pdf](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,140528,en.pdf)

8. Report of the Leader on Decisions taken by the Executive

To receive a report from the Leader as item 8. The report contains decisions taken by the Executive, Executive Members and/or the Joint Strategic Committee since the last Council meeting. An updated report will be circulated once the Joint Strategic Committee decisions of 13 July have been published.

There is up to 15 minutes for Executive Members to make any statements on the report.

There is up to 15 minutes for Members to ask Executive Members questions on the report; these questions will not be the same as any to be asked under Item 11.

(**Note:** Papers relating to items under 7 and 8 have been previously circulated. If any Member requires further copies please contact Democratic Services or visit the Council's website www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/.)

9. Members Questions under Council Procedure Rule 12

Members question time will last up to 30 minutes. Questions will be taken in the order of receipt and in rotation from each political group on the Council. The deadline for submission of questions is Friday 15 July 2016 at 12 noon. Questions to be submitted to democratic.services@adur-worthing.gov.uk

Questions received will be circulated at the meeting.

Questions can be asked of the following:

- a) The Mayor
- b) A Member of the Executive
- c) The Chairman of any Committee
- d) The Council's representative on any outside body

Questions cannot be asked in relation to the following:

- a) A specific planning or licensing application
- b) A specific staffing appointment, appeal or Standards determination

10. Motions on Notice

To receive from the Director for Communities, a Motion on Notice

- (a) Condemning racism, xenophobia and hate crimes

Proposed by Councillor Yallop, Seconded by Councillor Turner.

Once proposed and seconded, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.5.3, this motion will be considered by the Full Council at the meeting at which it appears in the agenda.

Part B - Not for Publication – Exempt Information Reports

None.



Director for Communities

Recording of this meeting

The Council will be voice recording this meeting, including public question time. The recording will be available on the Council's website as soon as practicable after the meeting. The Council will not be recording any discussions in Part B of the agenda (where the press and public have been excluded).

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Extract from the Joint Strategic Committee - 2 June 2016

JSC/005/16-17 Joint Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy Statement

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Digital and Resources, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 5.

The report recommended to the Executive a new Minimum Revenue Provision Statement for 2015/16, 2016/17 and onwards with the aim of reducing the annual revenue cost associated with borrowing.

Decision:

The Joint Strategic Committee **RECOMMENDED** to the Councils that the amended MRP Statements are approved by the Worthing Council at its meeting on 19 July and by Adur Council at its meeting on 21 July.

Link to the full report on the website:

<http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,139987,en.pdf>

Extract from the Joint Strategic Committee - 2 June 2016

JSC/006/16-17 Dealing with long term Empty Properties

Before the Committee was a joint report by the Solicitor to the Council and Director for Communities, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 6.

The report sought approval for the councils to adopt an Enforced Sales procedure (attached to the report) in circumstances where there were long term empty residential properties, to bring about the sale of the property whilst also recovering outstanding debt.

Circulated at the meeting was a completed Schedule of other Matters and photographs illustrating properties that could be considered if the policy was approved.

Members expressed the view that individual policies for each of the Councils rather than a joint policy should be produced and approval was given subject to this.

There was general support for the initiative with comments made that the Councils taking action would not only bring properties back into use, it was neighbourly to take this action.

Councillor Proudfoot addressed the Committee from the public gallery on the lack of housing in Worthing, supporting any policies that would bring houses back into use.

Decision

The Joint Strategic Committee approved individual Adur District and Worthing Borough Council Enforced sales Procedures based on the document attached at Appendix 1 to the report and

RECOMMENDED to Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council that they delegate authority for authorising the operation of the Enforced Sales Procedures to the Solicitor to the Council, in consultation with the relevant Executive Member for Regeneration.

Link to the report on the website:

<http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media.139988.en.pdf>

Report of the Leader on Decisions taken by Executive Members and the Joint Strategic Committee since the last meeting of Council

A Decisions Taken by Individual Executive Members

Listed below is a summary of decisions taken by the individual Executive Members since the despatch of the agenda for the last ordinary Council Meeting. Full details can be found on the Executive Members and Portfolios, Reports and Decisions webpage

<http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/committees/worthing/cabinet-member-decisions/>

Leader

W/LDR/002/16-17 Outside Body Appointments 2016/17

JAW/001/16-17 Executive Member Portfolios - confirmation

Executive Member for Regeneration

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Executive Member for Resources

W/RES/010/15-16 Applications for Voluntary Redundancy - Culture

JAW/015/15-16 Application for Voluntary Redundancy

Executive Member for Customer Services

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Executive Member for the Environment

W/ENV/011/15-16 The Gallops Play Area Refurbishment

Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing

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B. Decisions taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 2 June 2016

Items related to Adur District Council are not reproduced on this agenda

Full details can be found at: www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/your-council/

Items not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

JSC/007/16-17 Refurbishment of the Main Hall flooring in Worthing Leisure Centre

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee

- 1 Approved the release of £83,460 from the 2016/17 Capital Investment programme (Worthing) to contribute to the works set out in 3.7 of the report
- 2 Amended the 2016/17 Capital Investment Programme for works to the Worthing Leisure Centre refurbishment of the main hall flooring to include the £70,000 grant funding from Badminton England, resulting in a total budget of £165,460.

JSC/008/16-17 Funding Museum Showcases: Sharing Costume with Sussex

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee approved

- 1 the amendment to the Worthing Borough Council capital programme of £60,810 for new museum cases in Worthing Museum and Art Gallery funded from external grants.
- 2 the creation of a revenue budget of £42,560 for the new costume trail funded from grant.

C. Decisions taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 13 July 2016

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Items not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

Details of the decisions taken at the JSC meeting on the 13 July will be provided in advance of the Council meeting.

D. Urgent Decisions taken by the Executive

Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 (as amended)

The following is reported to Council:-

There have been no urgent decisions taken since the last meeting of Council.

Councillor Daniel Humphreys
Leader of the Council

Local Government Act 1972 Background papers

Reports and Record of decisions of various are available on the Council's web site www.adur-worthing.gov.uk or as indicated in each of the paragraphs above. Some of the reports contain exempt information and not fully published on the websites.

MOTION TO WORTHING BOROUGH COUNCIL

"We are proud to live in a diverse and tolerant society. Racism, xenophobia and hate crimes have no place in our country. Worthing Borough Council condemns racism, xenophobia and hate crimes unequivocally. We will not allow hate to become acceptable.

Worthing Borough Council will work to ensure local bodies and programmes have support and resources needed to fight and prevent racism and xenophobia.

We reassure all people living in Worthing that they are valued members of our community."

Proposed by Councillor Paul Yallop

Seconded by Councillor Val Turner

