



ADUR DISTRICT
C O U N C I L

18 July 2019

**Adur Council Meeting
18 July 2019**

Queen Elizabeth II Room,
The Shoreham Centre, Pond Road,
Shoreham-by-Sea

7.00 pm

Agenda

10 July 2019

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

Director for Communities:
Mary D'Arcy
Adur & Worthing Councils,
Town Hall, Chapel Road,
Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1HA

To receive any questions from members of the public addressed to Members 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 District except no questions may be asked on

- 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 minute; questions will be taken in order of receipt. The deadline for submissions is 16 July 2019 at 12 noon.

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

4. Confirmation of Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council on 16 May 2019, copies of which have been previously circulated.

5. Petition submitted to Adur District Council - "Adur and Worthing to be Zero Carbon by 2030" (Pages 1 - 6)

To consider a report and associated petition attached as item 5

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

7. Items raised under urgency provisions

To consider any items the Chairman has agreed are urgent

8. Recommendations from the Executive and Committees to Council (Pages 7 - 16)

To consider recommendations to the Council, details of which are set out in the attached items. Full reports are available on the website as listed below

Executive / Committee	Date	Item
A Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee	20 June 2019	Joint Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018/19 http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,139987,en.pdf
B Joint Strategic Committee	9 July 2019	<p>i) Financial Performance 2018-19 Revenue Outturn https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,154164,en.pdf</p> <p>ii) Financial Performance 2018-19 Capital and Projects Outturn https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,154335,en.pdf</p> <p>iii) Becoming financially sustainable - Revenue Budget Strategy for 2020/21 https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,154336,en.pdf</p> <p>iv) Becoming financially Sustainable - Capital Strategy https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/media/media,154337,en.pdf</p>

9. Notification of a change to the Political Makeup of the Council (Pages 17 - 22)

To consider a report by the Director for Communities, copy attached as item 9

10. Report of the Leader on decisions taken by the Executive

To receive a report from the Leader. The report contains executive decisions since the last Council meeting.

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

There is up to 15 minutes for Executive Members to respond to questions on the report; these questions will not be the same as any asked under 'Members Questions under Council Procedure Rule 12'

11. Members question time under Council Procedure Rule 12

Members question time will last up to 30 minutes, questions will be taken in order of receipt, in rotation from each political group on the Council. The deadline for submission of questions is 16 July 2019 at 12 noon. Questions to be submitted to democratic.services@adur-worthing.gov.uk

Questions received can be asked of the following:

- a) The Chairman
- b) A Member of the Executive
- c) The Chairman of any Committee
- d) The Councils representative on any outside body

Questions cannot be asked on the following

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

12. Motions on Notice (1) (Pages 23 - 28)

To receive a report from the Director for Communities, a Motion on Notice as item 12

Proposed by Councillor Arnold, seconded by Councillor Alden

13. Motion on Notice (2) (Pages 29 - 32)

To receive a report from the Director for Communities, a Motion on Notice as item 13

Proposed by Councillor Chipp, Seconded by Councillor Mansfield

M. Denny

Recording of this meeting

The Council will be voice recording the 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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ADUR DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Council
19 July 2019
Agenda Item 5

Ward(s) Affected: All

Petition Submitted to Adur District Council - “Adur & Worthing to be Zero Carbon by 2030”

Report by the Solicitor to the Council and the Director for Communities

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. A Petition was received on 27th June 2019 from Mr Andrew Bradbury containing 1154 signatures. The petition was received by the Proper Officer.
- 1.2. The Petition is in regards to a proposal to declare a Climate Emergency and make Adur District Carbon Neutral by 2030
- 1.3. Any action to be taken in response to the Petition, is to be determined, following debate, at the Adur District Council Meeting.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1. Adur District Council is recommended to debate the Petition and determine what action, if any, it shall take in response to the Petition.

3.0 Background

- 3.1. The Adur District Council adopted Petition Scheme is available on the Council's website:
<https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/get-involved/petitions/>.

3.2. The details of the petition state:

We call on Adur District Council to declare a 'Climate Emergency':

1. Pledge to make Adur District carbon neutral by 2030, taking into account both production and consumption emissions;

2. Ensure Adur Council's leadership continues by practising and promoting investment in renewable technologies by Adur Council, its business delivery partners, suppliers and businesses trading within and from the Adur area;

3. Work with other councils to insist that Westminster and the County Council provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target possible and themselves work with other councils and governments (both within the UK and internationally) to determine and implement best practice methods to limit Global Warming to less than 1.5°C;

4. Continue to work with partners across Adur and more widely to deliver this new goal through all relevant strategies and plans;

5. Provide an outline strategy within 6 months to ensure the transition to a zero carbon future by 2030 is initiated.

3.3. Qualifying petitions are defined in the Petition Scheme as those petitions containing more than 1,000 signatures and including a minimum of 50 names, addresses and signatures of people who live, work or study in the District of Adur. The petition contains 1,154 signatures, exceeding the 50 person minimum and meets the relevant criteria to be considered as a qualifying petition.

3.4 Under the Adur District Council Petition Scheme the Petition Organiser, Mr Bradbury, is to be provided with the opportunity of five minutes to address Council on the petition. The Leader then has five minutes to address Council with their right of reply to the petition.

3.4. It is a requirement of the Scheme that where a qualifying petition is received, and where time permits, the petition is to be debated by the Council to determine how to respond to it.

Members of the Council are recommended to consider and determine the Petition and any Member of the Council may move a specific

motion as a proposal for the appropriate disposal of this matter. Such a proposal will need to be seconded, debated and voted upon in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules. A range of suggested responses and ways of disposal are available and set out within the Scheme, and include, but are not limited to:

- taking the action requested;
- holding an enquiry or undertaking research into the matters arising;
- referring the petition for consideration to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee; or
- taking no further action.

3.5. The Petition Organiser was notified on 2nd July that the petition amounted to a qualifying petition.

4.0 Proposals

- 4.1. The person submitting the petition has five minutes to address Council to support their petition.
- 4.2. The Leader has five minutes to address Council as the Council's right of reply to the petitioner.
- 4.3. Council will then debate the petition and determine what action to take in response to the petition.

5.0 Financial Implications

- 5.1. There are no financial implications in considering a petition at the Council Meeting.
- 5.2. However, if the decision taken at the Council Meeting, in response to the petition, is likely to have significant financial implications for the Council and requires action by the Executive, then the action to be taken and financial implications should be considered by the Executive at a meeting of the Joint Strategic Committee.

6.0 Legal Implications

- 6.1. Full details of the District Council's adopted Petition Scheme can be found in Part 5 of the Council's Constitution.
- 6.2. The usual rules of debate set out at paragraph 16 of the Council Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution, apply to the Council debate upon the petition.
- 6.3. The requirement to have a Petition Scheme was contained in the Local Democracy, Economic Construction and Development Act 2009 (as amended).

Background Papers

Adur District Council Constitution containing the Petition Scheme.

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Sustainability & Risk Assessment

1. Economic

Matter considered and no issues identified.

2. Social

2.1 Social Value

Matter considered and no issues identified.

2.2 Equality Issues

Matter considered and no issues identified.

2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

Matter considered and no issues identified.

2.4 Human Rights Issues

Matter considered and no issues identified.

3. Environmental

There are environmental implications for the management, custodianship and protection of our natural resources arising from the proposals within the petition, but not from the proposal to debate the petition at Full Council.

4. Governance

The Council has a Petition Scheme in compliance with legislation, which has been adopted formally as part of the Council's Constitution. All petitions submitted to the Council should be determined in accordance with the published Scheme.

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Council
25 April 2019
Agenda Item 8A

Extract from Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 20 June 2019

JSC/008/19-20 Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2018/19

Purpose

This report sets out the draft Annual report for the Committee covering the 2018/19 Municipal year in accordance with the terms of the Councils' constitutions.

Summary of discussion:

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Digital and Resources, a copy of which had been circulated to all Members, a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes as item 7. The report set out the draft Annual report for the Committee covering the 2018/19 Municipal year in accordance with the terms of the Councils' constitutions.

Members discussed the report before them and wider issues such as the political affiliation of the Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees. Some members expressed the opinion that the Chair should not be from the dominant party and noted recommendations from the Centre for Public Scrutiny to that effect. The Chairman expressed that he disagreed, the Committee as a whole was responsible for the business examined and that he personally sought to run meetings in an apolitical and open manner as fairly as possible. A Member stated that the Centre for Public Scrutiny disagreed with the Chairman's take on the Chair.

A Member commented that the public needed to be made more aware of the work of the Committee to increase engagement in its work and made the following proposal *'that the Councils' Communication Department be asked to put the Annual Report into more user friendly and publicly accessible format'* the proposal was seconded and approved unanimously.

Resolved:

- i) That the Committee approves the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual report for 2018/19; and
- ii) **That the Annual report be reported to the Adur and Worthing Council meetings in July 2019 for approval;**
- iii) That the Communication Department be asked to put the Annual Report into more user friendly and publicly accessible format

Extract from Joint Strategic Committee - 9 July 2019

JSC/013/19-20 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 2018/19 - REVENUE OUTTURN

Purpose

This report outlines the revenue financial monitoring position for the end of the 2018/19 financial year for Joint Strategic Committee, Adur District and Worthing Borough Councils. At the time of publication of this report, the Statements of Accounts are in the process of being audited. Any adjustments that emerge as the audit proceeds will be reported to members later in the year.

The outturn positions for operational spend were moderate overspends at both Adur (£158k) and Worthing Councils (£76k), which represents some improvement on the positions reported at Q3.

Overall outturn positions are underspends of £511,979 in Adur District Council, and £1,147,435 in Worthing Borough Council. After allowance for proposed carry forward of budgets in 2018/19, this represents a 4% underspend against budget for Adur and 5% for Worthing.

The table at 4.5 in the report sets out the components contributing to the underspend, with the most significant being business rate relief grant (received early, to be spent in the current year), lower capital borrowing costs in 2018/19, and project funding carry forwards.

The outturn figures include proposed carry forward requests, detailed in appendix 6, that will need to be met from these underspends which relate to committed spend that is now planned for 2019/20: Adur District Council £151,720 and Worthing Borough Council £407,900 (including the Joint Services proposals).

In addition there are some variances that relate specifically to 2018/19, some of which occurred in the last quarter of the year. Worthing Borough Council received additional income from planning fees and both Adur District and Worthing Borough Councils were allocated additional housing grant.

This is an improved outcome to what was projected in the quarter 3 monitoring report when net underspends of £291,000 and £1,105,000 were being forecast in Adur and Worthing respectively. The areas that have contributed to the net movement are highlighted in the report and appendix 5(b).

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee recommended that Adur District Council, at its meeting on 18 July 2019 and Worthing Borough Council at its meeting on 23 July 2019:-

- (a) **NOTE the overall final outturn for 2018/19;**
- (b) **APPROVE the net appropriations to General Fund Reserves in the year as detailed in paragraph 6.2 totalling:**

Adur District Council	£563,683
Worthing Borough Council	£1,450,685

- (c) **AGREE the net carry over of revenue budget to 2019/20 funded from reserves as detailed in appendix 6:**

Adur District Council	£151,720
Worthing Borough Council	£425,900

- (d) **APPROVE the transfer of additional business rates income to the Business Rates Smoothing Reserves to earmark funds to address the timing difference between the Business Rates income received in the General Fund in year (net of relief), and the grant income paid from Central Government to reimburse lost revenue as a consequence of Government policy decisions on reliefs.**

Adur District Council	£328,161
Worthing Borough Council	£480,174

Extract from Joint Strategic Committee - 9 July 2019

**JSC/014/19-120 Financial Performance 2018/19 - Capital and Projects
Outturn**

Purpose

This report outlines the financial monitoring position for the end of the 2018/19 financial year for capital schemes included in the capital programmes of the Joint Strategic Committee, Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council.

Information is also provided in respect of capital receipts for the 2 constituent authorities.

Summary of discussion:

The Leader of Worthing Borough Council sought an update on the status of works to replace railings along the East Beach Walkway as the installation had been anticipated in June 2019. Officers advised that work had commenced.

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee

- i) noted the outturn position for 2018/19,
- ii) **recommended that Adur District Council at its Council meeting on 18 July 2019:**
 - (a) Note the overall capital final outturn for 2018/19.**
 - (b) Agree the net carry over of General Fund Capital underspends for Adur District Council as detailed in paragraph 5.4.**
 - (c) Approve the financing of the Adur District Council 2018/19 Capital Investment Programme, including the use of capital**

receipts as set out in paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2.

- (d) Approve the carry forward of Council resources underspends to fund budget pressures as detailed in paragraph 4.2.2. and summarised in paragraph 5.6.**
- (e) Approve the use of capital receipts to fund redundancy costs associated with the Environmental Services restructure and the resulting Capital Flexibilities Strategy as detailed in paragraph 5.3.**

iii) **recommended** that Worthing Borough Council at its Council meeting on 23 July 2019:

- (a) Note the overall capital final outturn for 2018/19.
- (b) Agree the net carry over of General Fund Capital underspends for Worthing Borough Council as detailed in paragraph 5.10.
- (c) Approve the financing of the Worthing Borough Council 2018/19 Capital Investment Programme, including the use of capital receipts as set out in paragraphs 5.7 and 5.8.
- (d) Approve the carry forward of Council resources underspends to fund budget pressures as detailed in paragraph 4.2.2. And to fund a contingency budget as detailed in paragraph 5.13 and summarised in paragraph 5.14.
- (e) Approve the use of capital receipts to fund redundancy costs associated with the Environmental Services restructure and the resulting Capital Flexibilities Strategy as detailed in paragraph 5.9.

Extract from Joint Strategic Committee - 9 July 2019

**JSC/015/19-20 Becoming financially sustainable - Revenue Budget
Strategy for 2020/21**

Purpose

2020/21 is an unprecedented year for uncertainty. The timescales and quantum of the proposed changes arising from the new Comprehensive Spending Review and the associated Fairer Funding Review are very uncertain and it against this background that this year's budget strategy has been prepared.

The Council has a clear strategy for facing the challenges of rapidly changing local government finance and preparing for the reduction in retained business rates and the end of New Homes Bonus in the next few years. The Councils have already successfully addressed the removal of the Revenue Support Grant, and are actively and constructively working to mitigate the impacts of budget announcements by partners, in particular West Sussex County Council.

This strategic effort has involved the development of new and critical capabilities in the organisation, including strategic property investment, affordable housing investment, nationally recognised digital service design, and high quality, successful commercial services.

It has also required careful financial management, including managed and prudent increases in council tax, and a clear focus on driving efficiency and productivity.

Adur and Worthing Councils have responded to the challenge of falling government grant by promoting economic regeneration, investing in property, growing our commercial offer, and through business efficiency from the customer and digitisation transformation programmes. Despite the inevitable challenges brought about by reducing resources, the Councils have continued to maintain good core services across the board and have a clear focus on customer service excellence.

This report aims to set out how the Councils will continue to address the changing financial climate over the next 10 years, outlining the revenue forecast and setting out our strategic response to the challenges ahead. With the detailed budget proposals for 2020/21 coming forward to Joint Strategic Committee in December,

this report sets out the broader context for the detailed work that will be undertaken over the intervening months.

As set out in the following pages, the Councils will be increasingly reliant on council tax income, business rate income, and our own income generating services. Our Councils have a good track record in innovation, working creatively in partnership, transforming our digital capabilities and putting the customer at the heart of our services, so that we have capacity to continue to deliver our aspirations for our Places.

Our strategy, 'Platforms for our Places' was approved by the Councils in February 2017 is sets out how we can play an even greater role in helping to shape the future of our places. The refresh of this strategy is elsewhere on this agenda. The 5 'Platforms' that provide the direction for all our work are:

- Our Financial Economies
- Our Social Economies
- Stewarding our Natural Resources
- Services and Solutions for our places
- Leadership of our Places

Work has been underway for some time to address the financial challenge in 2020/21 and beyond. This will continue over the summer and autumn, and the Operational Leaders Group (Heads of Service) will be working with the Councils Leadership Team to produce new service plans designed to deliver a balanced budget over the next 3 years. The outcome of the service planning process will be presented to the Joint Strategic Committee for approval in December 2019 as part of the development of the 2020/21 budget.

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- (a) noted the report and the outline 5-year forecasts in Appendix 2;
- (b) approved the proposed budget process as set out in section 6 of the report;
- (c) **recommended to Adur and Worthing Councils to approve the Budget Strategy for 2020/21 outlined in Section 9 of the report.**

Extract from Joint Strategic Committee - 9 July 2019

JSC/016/19-20 Becoming financially sustainable - Capital Strategy for 2020/21

Purpose

This report seeks the approval of the Council's Capital Strategy for 2020/23. The Strategy outlines the Council's approach to capital investment and how the Council ensures that capital investment is directed to the Council's Priorities. It also sets out the basis for prioritisation of capital bids included in the 3 Year Capital Investment Programme and the monitoring of the programme.

Summary of discussion:

The Committee noted that the new occupants of the office block development on the old car park site in Ham Road were currently taking up residence.

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee recommended to Adur and Worthing Councils that the Capital Strategy 2020/23 be approved.

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ADUR DISTRICT
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Council
18 July 2019
Agenda Item 9

Ward(s) Affected: All

Notification of a Change to the Political Makeup of the Council

Report by the Director for Communities

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To note that there has been a change to the political makeup of the council
- 1.2 To note the re-calculation of the political balance on the Council.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Council notes the revised political balance of the Council as per paragraph 3.4.
- 2.3 That the Council notes the addition of a new independent group and the Group Leader and Deputy Leader of that group as confirmed to the Proper Officer as listed in Para 4.9

3. Context

- 3.1 At the meeting of Annual Council in May 2019 Council determined a number of matters related to decision making by the Council until May 2020. Since

that time two members from the UKIP Party have resigned from the UKIP party and have formed a new independent party.

- 3.2 On the 15 June 2019 a group form was received from Cllr Robin Monk which set up a new independent group of two members with Cllr Monk as the Leader and Cllr Haywood as deputy Leader.
- 3.3 Decision making is governed by the Local Government Act 1972, the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government Act 2000 and Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 where this relates to Executive arrangements.
- 3.4 The new calculation of the political balance of the Authority is:

Number of seats on Council:		Proportion of seats
16	Conservative	55.17%
8	Labour	27.59 %
1	UKIP	0%
2	SBRA / Independent	6.9%
2	Independent	6.9%

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 The change in political parties has changed the overall political balance on the council.
- 4.3 Conservative allocation of seats on Committees is correct according to the political balance rules as the majority group (Conservative) has to have a majority on all Committees.
- 4.4 The overall Labour allocation of seats across the Council's Committees is 13.
- 4.5 The overall UKIP allocation of seats on committees has fallen to 0 as groups of one member are not determined to be groups.
- 4.6 The overall SBRA allocation of seats on Committees remains at 3.
- 4.7 The overall newly formed Independent groups allocation of seats on Committees is 3.

- 4.7 As the majority party the Conservative Group must have a majority on each of the Council's relevant non-executive Committees, this means that overall there is an over allocation of seats (a detailed breakdown of this can be found in Annex A of this report). In real terms this means that, in total, opposition parties will be under allocated with regards to seats on Committees.
- 4.8 The former UKIP group had taken just one seat of its seat allocation (that being a seat on the Licensing Committee having previously given up its seat on the Planning Committee). The seat was taken by Cllr Monk who is now part of the independent group and he has indicated that he is happy to continue in that role. Other group Leaders have not raised any objection to this.
- 4.9 Following the resignation of the two UKIP members there is a need for the Council to note that the Leader of the new group is Councillor Robin Monk and the Deputy Group Leader is Liz Haywood.

5. Engagement and Communication

- 5.1 Group Leaders were contacted upon the receipt of the new group form.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

7 Legal Implications

- 7.1 s106 Local Government Act 1972 provides that Councils may make standing orders for the regulation of their proceedings and business.
- 7.2 s111 Local Government Act 1972 provides that the Council shall have the power to do anything which is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of their functions.
- 7.3 s15, 16 and 17 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 set out powers and duties in relation to political balance on Committees and the exceptions and exemptions therein.
- 7.4 Local Government Act 2000 as amended by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 sets out regulations regarding appointments to

Executive and Committees in Councils that have adopted Executive arrangements.

Background Papers

- Local Government Act 1972
- Local Government and Housing Act 1989
- Local Government Act 2000
- Local government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007
- Knowles on Local Authority Meetings – A manual of Law and Practice
- Resignation email from Paul Graysmark
- Declaration of the Result of Poll 11 October 2018

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Sustainability & Risk Assessment

- 1. Economic**
No issues identified
- 2. Social**
 - 2.1 Social Value**
No issues identified
 - 2.2 Equality Issues**
No issues identified. Recruitment and selection in these matters are reserved to Political Parties
 - 2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)**
No issues identified
 - 2.4 Human Rights Issues**
No issues identified
- 3. Environmental**
No issues identified
- 4. Governance**
Issues relating to the Governance structure of the Councils are set out in the report

(a) Representation of Political Groups on the Council

To confirm the political groups and the number and proportion of seats held.

Representation on the Council and the number and proportion of seats held are as follows;

Number of seats on Council:		Proportion of seats
(29)		(100%)
16	Conservative	55.17%
8	Labour	27.59%
1	UKIP	0%
2	Independent (SBRA)	6.90%
2	Independent Group	6.90%

In accordance with the rules on political representation the number of seats to be taken by each political group on the Council's Committees and Sub-Committees equates to:

Number of seats on Committees:	
Conservative (55.17% x 48 seats)	26
Labour (27.59% x 48 seats)	13
UKIP (10.34% x 48 seats)	0
SBRA (6.90% x 48 seats)	3
Independent Group (6.90% x 48 seats)	3

A political group comprises 2 or more Members. Please note that the following are not included in the above figures because the political balance requirements do not apply:

Executive (6 seats)
Joint Strategic Committee (6 seats)

The Majority Group on the Council is entitled to the majority of seats on committees.



ADUR DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council
18 July 2019
Agenda Item 12

Ward(s) Affected: N/A

Motions on Notice

Report by the Director for Communities

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The report before Council sets out a motion received from Councillor Catherine Arnold which has been seconded by Councillor Les Alden
- 1.2 Council is asked to deal with the motion under provisions set out in paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules (under part 4 of the Council Constitution - Rules of Procedure).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the motion, upon being moved and seconded, be noted by Council and referred without debate to the Joint Strategic Committee and Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee

3. Context

- 3.1 A motion on notice has been received from Councillor Catherine Arnold, (attached as Annex A).
- 3.2 The content of the motion is relevant to a matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties and which affects the District.

- 3.3 There is nothing substantive within the motion that would cause its rejection under the terms of the Constitution.
- 3.4 The motion before Council contains part of the subject matter that is within the remit of Joint Strategic Committee and Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, as defined in para 14.4.1 and 14.4.3 of the Council's Procedure Rules. Therefore, it shall be moved and seconded, immediately noted by the Council and referred without debate to the Joint Strategic Committee and Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee for consideration and determination.
- 3.5 If a motion on the agenda at Full Council is to be referred automatically to the Executive, a Regulatory Committee or another Council Committee, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.4, the proposer of the motion will confirm to the Chairperson their proposal of the motion as set out in the report before Council **without** a speech.
- 3.6 Where a motion has been referred by Full Council to the Joint Strategic Committee, the mover, or the seconder in the absence of the mover, shall be entitled to attend the relevant meeting and explain the motion.

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 Motions considered by Full Council are done so under part 14 of the Council's Procedure Rules

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 The motion has subject matter that comes within the remit of the Joint Strategic Committee and should the Joint Strategic Committee determine that the motion be accepted there may be financial implications in the future.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1 Rules concerning motions are set out in the Council's Constitution under paragraph 14 of the Council's Procedure Rules

Background Papers

None

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Annex A

CLIMATE CHANGE MOTION

This Council recognises that Climate Change is proceeding unabated. That we fast approach the point of no-return.

We are not doing enough to cut back on human-created carbon emissions. In fact, they continue to increase.

International political will has not proven powerful enough to overcome the entrenched cultural and commercial forces that keep us going down the same disastrous road.

Society, politicians and all of us at every level must do more.

This motion proposes that Adur Council declares a Climate Emergency and pledges it will do all it can for Adur to become carbon neutral by 2030.

In 2018, the Climate Change Committee, an independent body advising the UK govt, stated, “We’re off track to meet our own emissions targets for the 2020s & 30s”. Leading climate scientists warn that we have only eleven years within which global warming can be kept to a maximum of 1.5 degrees C.

If temperatures increase by 2°C it will result in catastrophic food shortages, floods, droughts, widespread poverty and mass migration.

The UK is the first country to legislate for net zero emissions by 2050 and the first to declare a ‘Climate Emergency’. Declarations have also been agreed at York City Council (Conservative majority) & Portsmouth City Council (no overall majority).

This Council recognises politicians of all parties, at all levels, have a duty to limit the causes of Climate Change. We cannot wait for national governments to do it all. Although Adur has the new tidal wall, a significant proportion of our population lives beyond its protection. And despite the wall, much of Adur could one day be devastated by the exceptional, predicted rise in sea levels.

However, Councils like Adur are uniquely placed to be leaders in a new green technological revolution. Our location, particularly our coastline, facilitates local energy generation such as wind and solar. One of our fastest growing job creation Areas.

So, limiting Global Warming to 1.5°C may still be possible. But only if action is taken Now.

Therefore, this Council calls on Joint Strategic Committee to:

Declare a 'Climate Emergency',

Incorporate climate change mitigation into Sustainability & Risk assessments throughout its reports, plans and reviews, including planning applications,

Attempt to make Adur carbon neutral by 2030, taking into account production and consumption, including use of the following;

Solar energy, via council joint ventures and/or group buying schemes.
Faster rollout of private and public electric/hybrid powered vehicles & Infrastructure.

Grant applications for cleaner bus stock and council vehicles.

Expanding bicycle networks to encourage greater bike usage for commuters as well as leisure.

Adoption of BREEAM's standards across all new social housing, housing association & Coast to Capital funded projects.

Deliver sustainable travel options and implementation of low emission zones in Air Quality Management Areas,

Report to full Council within six months of the date of this motion setting out the relevant actions

The council calls on the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee to set up a Task and Finish Group to review policies and to develop better practice and strategies.

We acknowledge this is an ambitious motion. But we must go further and faster, not only for our own benefit, but for the sake of our children and our children's children.

Proposed by Councillor Catherine Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Les Alden

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ADUR DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council
18 July 2019
Agenda Item 13

Ward(s) Affected: N/A

Motions on Notice

Report by the Director for Communities

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The report before Council sets out a motion received from Councillor Stephen Chipp which has been seconded by Councillor Paul Mansfield
- 1.2 Council is asked to deal with the motion under provisions set out in paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules (under part 4 of the Council Constitution - Rules of Procedure).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the motion, upon being moved and seconded, be noted by Council and referred without debate to the Joint Strategic Committee

3. Context

- 3.1 A motion on notice has been received from Councillor Stephen Chipp, (attached as Annex A).
- 3.2 The content of the motion is relevant to a matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties and which affects the District.

- 3.3 There is nothing substantive within the motion that would cause its rejection under the terms of the Constitution.
- 3.4 The motion before Council contains part of the subject matter that is within the remit of Joint Strategic Committee, as defined in para 14.4.1 of the Council's Procedure Rules. Therefore, it shall be moved and seconded, immediately noted by the Council and referred without debate to the Joint Strategic Committee and for consideration and determination.
- 3.5 If a motion on the agenda at Full Council is to be referred automatically to the Executive, a Regulatory Committee or another Council Committee, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.4, the proposer of the motion will confirm to the Chairperson their proposal of the motion as set out in the report before Council **without** a speech.
- 3.6 Where a motion has been referred by Full Council to the Joint Strategic Committee, the mover, or the seconder in the absence of the mover, shall be entitled to attend the relevant meeting and explain the motion.

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 Motions considered by Full Council are done so under part 14 of the Council's Procedure Rules

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 The motion has subject matter that comes within the remit of the Joint Strategic Committee and should the Joint Strategic Committee determine that the motion be accepted there may be financial implications in the future.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1 Rules concerning motions are set out in the Council's Constitution under paragraph 14 of the Council's Procedure Rules

Background Papers

None

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Annex A

“The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in their October report stated that if the planet wants to avert dangerous climate breakdown, we need to cut emissions in half by 2030, and hit zero by the middle of the century.

Adur & Worthing Councils have already made a commitment to the climate agenda through policy and the 2016 appointment of a sustainability manager. In January 2019, Adur and Worthing Councils committed to become Zero Carbon by 2050 through the UK100 Cities Pledge which is reflected in *Sustainable Adur & Worthing* and *Platforms*. Many workstreams such as the SmartHubs project and redesign of the waste and recycling service are already underway and will contribute early steps towards becoming Zero Carbon.

Adur District Council:

1. Declares a ‘Climate Emergency’;
2. Believes that notwithstanding our 2050 target, more should be done and therefore pledges to work towards Adur District Council becoming carbon neutral by 2030, taking into account both production and consumption emissions;
3. Calls on Westminster to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target possible;
4. Continues to work with partners across the county and region, in particular Worthing Borough Council to deliver this goal;
5. Will, within six months, report to Council with an outline Strategy on how the Council will work towards our Zero carbon target.”

Proposed by Councillor Stephen Chipp
Seconded by Councillor Paul Mansfield