

Crawley Borough Council

Agenda for the Full Council

To: The Mayor and Members of the Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the **Full Council** which will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Crawley, on **Wednesday 23 July 2014 at 7.30 p.m.**

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Duration of the Meeting

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Business - Part A

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Members' Disclosures of Interest

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, members of the Council are reminded that it is a requirement to declare interests where appropriate.

3. Communications

To receive and consider any announcements or communications.

4. Presentation of Long Service Badges

The Mayor will present each of the following Members and former Members who have recently ceased to hold office, with a badge commemorating their long service as a Member of Crawley Borough Council:-

| AWARD | NAME |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 20 Years | Councillor S A Blake |
| 15 Years | Councillor Dr H S Bloom |
| 15 Years | Councillor I T Irvine |
| 10 Years | Councillor B K Blake |
| 10 Years | Councillor K Brockwell |
| 10 Years | Councillor B J Burgess |
| 10 Years | Councillor C A Cheshire |
| 10 Years | Claire Denman |
| 10 Years | Alan Quirk |
| 10 Years | Councillor L A Walker |

With regard to former Councillor Claire Denman she has informed the Head of Legal and Democratic Services that she will be unable to attend this meeting, and alternative arrangements have been made in terms of the receipt of her badge.

5. Public Question Time

To answer public questions under Council Procedure Rule 9. The questions must be on matters which are relevant to the functions of the Council, and should not include statements.

One supplementary question from the questioner will be allowed.

Up to 30 minutes is allocated to Public Question Time.

6. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on 13 June 2014. (The minutes are on pages 1 to 19 in the Book of Minutes Report, which Members will have before them).

7. Items for debate (Reserved Items)

Prior to the introduction of the Reports of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees (as contained in the Book of Minutes), Members will be given the opportunity to indicate on which items they wish to speak.

These Reserved Items will then be the only matters to be the subject of a debate.

8. Reports of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees

- (1) To receive the following reports of the meetings of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees.
 - (a) Development Control Committee – 28 April 2014.
 - (b) Development Control Committee – 23 May 2014.
 - (c) Development Control Committee – 16 June 2014.
 - (d) Licensing Committee – 18 June 2014.
 - (e) Audit and Governance Committee – 25 June 2014.
 - (f) Overview and Scrutiny Commission – 30 June 2014.
 - (g) Cabinet – 2 July 2014.
Including Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 relating to the Submission Crawley Local Plan, the Budget Strategy 2015/16 – 2019/20 and the Treasury Management Outturn for 2013/2014.
- (2) To adopt the recommendations to full Council, which have not been reserved for debate.

9. Reserved Items

To deal with items reserved for debate including any recommendations, which have been identified by Members under Agenda Item 7.

Councillors who have reserved items for debate, may speak on an item for no more than 5 minutes.

10. Notice of Motion

To consider, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12, the following Notice of Motion to be moved by Councillor Burrett and seconded by Councillor Crow:-

“This Council recognises that rented accommodation in the private sector is an important part of Crawley’s diverse mix of housing. The Council is concerned to learn that Croydon Borough Council, the nearest Labour-controlled Council to Crawley, plans to introduce a Licensing Scheme for private rented accommodation that risks additional costs of £200 per year being passed on to private sector tenants in the Borough.

Whilst recognising that licensing is required for rented Homes in Multiple Occupation (HMOs), and that such licensing already exists in Crawley, this Council believes that a Licensing Scheme for all properties in the private rented sector risks increased costs being passed on to tenants.

Therefore, in order to bring reassurance to Crawley’s private sector tenants and to avoid putting upward pressure on rents and fees, this Council resolves not to implement any policies in the private sector housing market which:

- i. create additional costs for the sector; and
- ii. risk a reduction in the number or percentage of private sector properties being available to be offered for rent on the open market in Crawley.”

11. Members’ Written Questions

To answer Members’ written questions under Council Procedure Rule 10.3.

12. Announcements by Cabinet Members

An opportunity for Cabinet Members to report verbally (if necessary) on issues relating to their Portfolio not covered elsewhere on the agenda and deal with questions relating to these issues.

13. Questions to Cabinet Members

To answer questions to Cabinet Members under Council Procedure Rule 10.1.

Up to 15 minutes is allocated for questions to Cabinet Members.

14. Questions to Committee Chairs

To answer questions to Committee Chairs.

Up to 15 minutes is allocated for questions to Committee Chairs.

15. Supplemental Agenda

Any urgent item(s) complying with Section 100(B) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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