


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 19 July 2017 at 7.30pm**

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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 Gifts to Former Councillors

The Mayor will present a gift to each of the following former Councillors, who have recently ceased to hold office, to commemorate their service to the Council:-

Beryl McCrow
Ken Trussell

5. Presentation of Long Service Badges

The Mayor will present each of the following Members with a badge commemorating their long service as a Member of Crawley Borough Council:-

AWARD	NAME
25 Years	Councillor Burrett
10 Years	Councillor Eade
	Councillor R Burgess

6. Public Question Time

To answer public questions under Council Procedure Rule10. 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.

7. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on 19 May 2017. (The minutes are contained at the start of the Book of Minutes Report, which Members will have before them).

8. Items for debate (Reserved Items)

Prior to the introduction of the Minutes 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.

9. Minutes of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees

(1) To receive the following minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and Committees.

- a) Planning Committee – 10 April 2017
- b) Planning Committee – 5 May 2017
- c) Licensing Committee – 12 June 2017
- d) Planning Committee – 13 June 2017
- e) Overview and Scrutiny Commission – 26 June 2017
- f) Cabinet – 28 June 2017

Including Recommendation 1 – (Minute 12)

- *Financial Outturn 2016 / 2017*

g) Planning Committee – 3 July 2017

(2) To adopt the recommendations to full Council, which have not been reserved for debate.

10. Reserved Items

To deal with items reserved for debate including any recommendations, which have been identified by Members under Agenda Item 8.

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

11. Notice of Motion 1

To consider, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, the following Notice of Motion to be moved by Councillor Crow and seconded by Councillor Jaggard:-

“Crawley Borough Council welcomes the £1.4 million awarded to it in April 2017 by the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, as one of nine local authorities which were awarded funding in the pilot phase of the Heat Network Investment Project. This town centre heat network will reduce energy costs for householders and businesses and improve Crawley’s low carbon infrastructure.

Prior to this funding awarding from the Government, funding for the District Heat Network had been allocated from the Council's entire Residential Environmental Improvement Schemes budget, which creates additional parking capacity in residential streets where there is an acute lack of parking provision.

As funding for the District Heat Network has now been provided by the Government, the Council resolves to:

- 1. Re-instate the Residential Environmental Improvement budget for 2017/18.*
- 2. Invite Councillors to nominate streets within their wards where parking difficulties are severe, to be considered for a potential improvement scheme to create additional neighbourhood parking provision.”*

12. Notice of Motion 2

To consider, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13, the following Notice of Motion to be moved by Councillor Lamb and seconded by Councillor P. Smith:-

“Motion in support of a new railway station for Kilnwood Vale

Council notes:

- 1. that a new Kilnwood Vale Railway Station has long been included as part of the proposals for the neighbourhood Kilnwood Vale neighbourhood, including featuring in the Horsham Core Strategy (2007), Crawley Core Strategy (2007) and the West of Bewbush Joint Area Action Plan (2009)*
- 2. that the construction of the Kilnwood Vale neighbourhood is at an advanced stage, discussions are now taking place around the future placement of railway stations along the Arun Valley Line and the developer has already submitted a business case to the Department for Transport to progress the delivery of a new station at Kilnwood Vale*
- 3. that an alternative proposal for a new railway station, as part of the proposed North of Horsham development, has also been put forward*
- 4. that only one new station can be built along this section of the Arun Valley Line and its construction will involve the closure of Faygate Railway Station*
- 5. that Ifield Railway Station is a two and a half mile walk from Kilnwood Vale, that residents in the neighbourhood will need to access railway travel and the areas around Crawley’s current railway stations already struggle with commuter parking*

6. *existing Crawley residents in Ifield West and the western side of Bewbush would benefit from a new railway station at Kilnwood Vale, as it would be considerably closer than Ifield Railway Station*
7. *that the developer has highlighted the great importance of a station in making Phase 4 of the development viable. Failure to deliver Phase 4 would result in far lower numbers of affordable units in the neighbourhood, of which Crawley Borough Council has fifty percent nomination rights*

Council further notes:

1. *that once completed, the only physical division which will exist between Kilnwood Vale and Crawley will be the garden fences of Bewbush residents. In addition, there will be four direct access routes from Kilnwood Vale into Crawley: two bus gates with pedestrian and cycle access and 2 further cycling and pedestrian routes*
2. *that the initial proposals for the development formally referred to it as 'West of Bewbush' and 'West of Crawley' at different stages before the final adoption of the 'Kilnwood Vale' name*
3. *that Kilnwood Vale is currently considered to be part of Crawley for planning purposes by organisations such as West Sussex County Council, which has included the neighbourhood within the catchment area of Crawley schools*
4. *that Crawley Borough Council is already working with the NHS to increase GP capacity in Bewbush, in part due to current and anticipated demand from residents living in Kilnwood Vale*
5. *that half of the affordable units in Kilnwood Vale will be allocated directly to Crawley residents as part of the development*
6. *that Kilnwood Vale residents already make use and depend upon Crawley's services and transport infrastructure*

Council believes:

1. *that for all intents-and-purposes Kilnwood Vale is a part of Crawley and that by planning and standing up for the needs for the neighbourhood at this stage we are able to ensure the best results for the future, at the lowest costs to local residents*
2. *that, so long as it poses no threat to Ifield railway station, it is in the best interests of all those living in Crawley and its immediate surroundings that a new railway station is constructed at Kilnwood Vale*

Council resolves:

1. *to adopt formal a position of support in favour of the construction of a new railway station at Kilnwood Vale, on the condition that it poses no risk to Ifield Railway Station*
2. *to write to Network Rail and make formal submissions in support of a new railway station at Kilnwood Vale*
3. *to write to the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Highways to ask that West Sussex County Council formally adopt a position of support for a new railway station at Kilnwood Vale. In so doing, highlighting that since the transport planning work for Kilnwood Vale took account of the*

proposed new railway station, were West Sussex County Council to fail to actively support such a bid the Highways Authority would need to fund alternative sustainable transport improvements to resolve the increasing congestion experienced on western routes into Crawley.

13. Councillor Mike Pickett – Request for Leave of Absence

1. The purpose of this item is to seek approval for Councillor Pickett Ward Member for Southgate to be absent from Council business.
2. Section 85(1) of The Local Government Act 1972 provides that if a member of a local authority fails to attend any Council meetings for a period of 6 consecutive months then unless the failure was due to some other reason approved by the authority before the expiry of the period, that person would cease to be a member of the Council.
3. A request has been made for leave of absence. Members are aware that Councillor Pickett is currently receiving on going treatment for cancer.
4. The last meeting attended by Councillor Pickett was the Licensing Sub Committee on 6 March 2017. Therefore if the leave of absence was not granted, Councillor Pickett would cease to be a member on 6 September 2017 if he has not attended a Council meeting.
5. In the event of the Council agreeing to a leave of absence it may be more appropriate to grant leave until the Council meeting on 21 February 2018 or until he has resumed attendance whichever is the earlier.

RECOMMENDATION 2

That absence of Councillor Pickett from Council meetings on account of his illness be approved by the Council for the purpose of Section 85(1) of The Local Government Act 1972 for the period up to and including 21 February 2018 or until he has resumed attendance whichever is the earlier.

13. Members' Written Questions

To answer Members' written questions under Council Procedure Rule 11.3.

14. 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.

15. Questions to Cabinet Members

To answer questions to Cabinet Members under Council Procedure Rule 11.2.

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

16. Questions to Committee Chairs

To answer questions to Committee Chairs.

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17. Supplemental Agenda

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

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