

# GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL



## BOOTH MAYOR

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To the Councillors of Guildford Borough Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the Council to be held in the Courtroom at the **Guildhall, High Street, Guildford** on **Wednesday 10 May 2023** commencing at **12 noon** to transact the business set out hereunder.

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Joint Chief Executive

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## THE COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK (2021- 2025)

### **Our Vision:**

A green, thriving town and villages where people have the homes they need, access to quality employment, with strong and safe communities that come together to support those needing help.

### **Our Mission:**

A trusted, efficient, innovative, and transparent Council that listens and responds quickly to the needs of our community.

### **Our Values:**

- We will put the interests of our community first.
- We will listen to the views of residents and be open and accountable in our decision-making.
- We will deliver excellent customer service.
- We will spend money carefully and deliver good value for money services.
- We will put the environment at the heart of our actions and decisions to deliver on our commitment to the climate change emergency.
- We will support the most vulnerable members of our community as we believe that every person matters.
- We will support our local economy.
- We will work constructively with other councils, partners, businesses, and communities to achieve the best outcomes for all.
- We will ensure that our councillors and staff uphold the highest standards of conduct.

### **Our strategic priorities:**

#### Homes and Jobs

- Revive Guildford town centre to unlock its full potential
- Provide and facilitate housing that people can afford
- Create employment opportunities through regeneration
- Support high quality development of strategic sites
- Support our business community and attract new inward investment
- Maximise opportunities for digital infrastructure improvements and smart places technology

#### Environment

- Provide leadership in our own operations by reducing carbon emissions, energy consumption and waste
- Engage with residents and businesses to encourage them to act in more environmentally sustainable ways through their waste, travel, and energy choices
- Work with partners to make travel more sustainable and reduce congestion
- Make every effort to protect and enhance our biodiversity and natural environment.

#### Community

- Tackling inequality in our communities
- Work with communities to support those in need
- Support the unemployed back into the workplace and facilitate opportunities for residents to enhance their skills
- Prevent homelessness and rough-sleeping in the borough

## **AGENDA**

The Mayor to receive from the Honorary Remembrancer (Mr Matthew Alexander) his report for the municipal year just ending.

### **1. ELECTION OF MAYOR**

The Council to consider the election of the Mayor for the municipal year 2023-24.

At its meeting on 6 December 2022, the Council approved, subject to the outcome of the Borough Council elections, the nomination of Councillor Masuk Miah as Mayor of the Borough for the municipal year 2023-24.

### **2. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

The Council to consider the appointment of the Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2023-24.

At its meeting on 8 February 2023, the Council approved, subject to the outcome of the Borough Council elections, the nomination of Councillor Nigel Manning as Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the municipal year 2023-24.

### **3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence from councillors, honorary freemen and honorary aldermen.

### **4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

To receive and note any disclosable pecuniary interests from councillors. In accordance with the local Code of Conduct, a councillor is required to disclose at the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) that they may have in respect of any matter for consideration on this agenda. Any councillor with a DPI must not participate in any discussion or vote regarding that matter and they must also withdraw from the meeting immediately before consideration of the matter.

If that DPI has not been registered, the councillor must notify the Monitoring Officer of the details of the DPI within 28 days of the date of the meeting.

Councillors are further invited to disclose any non-pecuniary interest which may be relevant to any matter on this agenda, in the interests of transparency, and to confirm that it will not affect their objectivity in relation to that matter.

**5. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**

To confirm the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 22 March 2023.

**6. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

To receive any communications which the Mayor may desire to lay before the Council.

**7. ELECTION OF BOROUGH COUNCILLORS**

To receive and note the report of the Returning Officer upon the election of Borough Councillors held on Thursday 4 May 2023 (to follow).

**8. MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN**

The Mayor to announce the appointment of Chaplain for the municipal year 2023-24.

**9. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY REMEMBRANCER 2023-24**

To appoint the Honorary Remembrancer for the Borough for the municipal year 2023-24.