

GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL



PARSONS MAYOR

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To the Councillors of Guildford Borough Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council for the Borough of Guildford to be held in the **Council Chamber, Millmead House, Millmead, Guildford, Surrey GU2 4BB** on **TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2019** commencing at 7.00 pm.

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THE COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Vision – for the borough

For Guildford to be a town and rural borough that is the most desirable place to live, work and visit in South East England. A centre for education, healthcare, innovative cutting-edge businesses, high quality retail and wellbeing. A county town set in a vibrant rural environment, which balances the needs of urban and rural communities alike. Known for our outstanding urban planning and design, and with infrastructure that will properly cope with our needs.

Three fundamental themes and nine strategic priorities that support our vision:

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| Place-making | Delivering the Guildford Borough Local Plan and providing the range of housing that people need, particularly affordable homes |
| | Making travel in Guildford and across the borough easier |
| | Regenerating and improving Guildford town centre and other urban areas |
| Community | Supporting older, more vulnerable and less advantaged people in our community |
| | Protecting our environment |
| | Enhancing sporting, cultural, community, and recreational facilities |
| Innovation | Encouraging sustainable and proportionate economic growth to help provide the prosperity and employment that people need |
| | Creating smart places infrastructure across Guildford |
| | Using innovation, technology and new ways of working to improve value for money and efficiency in Council services |

Values for our residents

- We will strive to be the best Council.
- We will deliver quality and value for money services.
- We will help the vulnerable members of our community.
- We will be open and accountable.
- We will deliver improvements and enable change across the borough.

Time limits on speeches at full Council meetings:	
Public speaker:	3 minutes
Response to public speaker:	3 minutes
Questions from councillors:	3 minutes
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Proposer of a motion:	10 minutes
Seconder of a motion:	5 minutes
Other councillors speaking during the debate on a motion:	5 minutes
Proposer of a motion's right of reply at the end of the debate on the motion:	10 minutes
Proposer of an amendment:	5 minutes
Seconder of an amendment:	5 minutes
Other councillors speaking during the debate on an amendment:	5 minutes
Proposer of a motion's right of reply at the end of the debate on an amendment:	5 minutes
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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. 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.

3. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 18)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 4 December 2018.

4. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive any communications or announcements from the Mayor.

5. LEADER'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive any communications or announcements from the Leader of the Council.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive questions or statements from the public.

7. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

To hear questions (if any) from councillors of which due notice has been given.

8. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2019-20 (Pages 19 - 34)

9. **CAPITAL AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2019-20 TO 2023-24** (Pages 35 - 220)
10. **HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET 2019-20** (Pages 221 - 294)
11. **FUTURE GUILDFORD TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME** (Pages 295 - 486)
12. **BUSINESS PLANNING - GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2019-20** (Pages 487 - 582)
13. **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE ADVISORY BOARD REVIEW TASK AND FINISH GROUP** (Pages 583 - 588)
14. **NOTICE OF MOTION DATED 6 FEBRUARY 2019**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, Councillor Angela Goodwin to propose, and Councillor Pauline Searle to second, the following motion:

"Care leavers have had their childhoods punctuated by instability and trauma, they leave home earlier and have less support than other young people. As a result, care leavers have some of the worst life chances in the country.

A 2016 report by the Children's Society found that when care leavers move into independent accommodation, they find managing their own finances extremely challenging. With no family to support them and insufficient financial education, care leavers are falling into debt and financial difficulty. The Children's Society recommends that care leavers should be taken out of Council Tax until they turn 25.

The Children and Social Work Act 2017 places corporate parenting responsibilities on borough and district councils for the first time, requiring them to have regard to children in care and care leavers when carrying out their functions.

To ensure that transition from care to adult life is as smooth as possible and to mitigate the chances of care leavers falling into debt as they begin to manage their own finances, this Council

RESOLVES:

- (1) *That care leavers under the age of 25 living in Guildford Borough be exempt from payment of any Council Tax with effect from April 2019.*
- (2) *That the Council also agrees to look at ways of supporting care leavers further to ensure they fulfil their potential."*

15. **NOTICE OF MOTION DATED 14 FEBRUARY 2019**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, Councillor Christian Holliday to propose, and Councillor Mike Piper to second, the following motion:

"This Council welcomes the contribution made to local communities by Neighbourhood Forums, a flagship innovation of the Localism Act 2011, which gives local people the opportunity to shape their communities through the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans. Guildford Borough currently has nine Forum areas and four adopted Neighbourhood Plans.

Forums in Parished Areas are led by elected Parish Councils, whilst Forums in non-Parished areas must seek designation as a body in their own right under separate procedures.

This differentiation can lead to non-Parished Forums being at a disadvantage when Town Planning consultation events (such as consultation events connected to the Local Plan, SPD's etc) are organised by the Borough Council for Parish members only, regardless of whether a Parish is undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan or not.

This Council therefore resolves that all current and future Neighbourhood Forums in non-Parished areas of the Borough be regarded as equivalent to Parish Councils for the purposes of consultation on all Local Plan and other planning matters, ensuring equality of access and participation in such events for all Parishes and Neighbourhood Forums."

16. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE (Pages 589 - 602)

To receive and note the attached minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 8 and 22 January 2019.

16A REVIEW OF ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES (Pages 603 - 610)

17. COMMON SEAL

To order the Common Seal to be affixed to any document to give effect to any decision taken by the Council at this meeting.