

GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL



BOOTH 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 11 OCTOBER 2022** commencing at 7.00 pm.

Tom Horwood
Joint Chief Executive of Guildford and Waverley Borough Councils

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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

Time limits on speeches at full Council meetings:	
Public speaker:	3 minutes
Response to public speaker:	3 minutes
Questions from councillors:	3 minutes
Response to questions from councillors:	3 minutes
Proposer of a motion:	10 minutes
Secunder 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
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Other councillors speaking during the debate on an amendment:	5 minutes
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A G E N D A

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 7 - 10)

To confirm the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 22 September 2022.

4. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive any communications or announcements from the Mayor.

5. ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Following the resignation of Councillor Joss Bigmore as Leader of the Council on 22 September 2022, there is a vacancy in the position of Leader. In accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution, the new Leader will be elected at the first meeting of the Council following such vacancy for a term of office expiring on the day of the post-election annual meeting which follows his or her election.

The Council will receive the report of the Democratic Services and Elections Manager on nominations received in respect of the election of the Leader of the Council.

Council Procedure Rule 21 (b) requires that a councillor proposing to nominate another councillor as Leader must notify the Democratic Services and Elections Manager of their nomination before the meeting at which the election is to be held.

As at the date of publication of this agenda, one nomination had been received as follows: Councillor Julia McShane (proposed by Councillor Steven Lee).

Any further nominations received will be reported on the Order Paper.

6. LEADER'S COMMUNICATIONS INCLUDING APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER AND LEAD COUNCILLORS ON THE EXECUTIVE

The newly elected Leader of the Council to announce the appointment of the Deputy Leader and Lead Councillors on the Executive and the titles of the portfolios assigned to them, together with any other communications or announcements.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive questions or statements from the public.

8. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

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

9. REVIEW OF COUNCILLORS' ALLOWANCES 2023 - APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL (Pages 11 - 22)

10. REVIEW OF NUMERICAL ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES TO POLITICAL GROUPS: 2022-23 (Pages 23 - 34)

11. TIMETABLE OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2023-24 (Pages 35 - 38)

12. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY FREEMAN (Pages 39 - 44)

13. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE (Pages 45 - 56)

To receive and note the attached minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 23 June, 21 July, and 25 August 2022.

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Council is asked to consider passing the following resolution:

“That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public be excluded from the meeting for consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraphs 1 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the 1972 Act.”

15. APPROVAL OF TERMINATION PAYMENT ABOVE £95,000 (Pages 57 - 60)

16. 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.