



Dear Councillor,

I hereby invite you to attend an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council to be held in the Council Chamber, The Custom House, on Wednesday 27th March 2024 at 7pm for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Fidler

Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL **AGENDA**

Meeting: Full Council
Venue: The Council Chamber, The Custom House, Harbour Parade, Ramsgate, CT11 8LP
Membership: All Councillors
Date: Wednesday 27th March 2024 at 7pm

WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

1. **APOLOGIES**
To receive and approve apologies for absence from Members of the Council.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda. Councillors are reminded to declare any dispensations granted.
3. **PUBLIC REQUESTS TO SPEAK**
To be received in writing prior to the meeting. Three questions in total permitted and a maximum of 15 minutes overall to be spent on this item.
NB. Updates received at the meeting can only be noted.
4. **MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**
To approve the following Minutes:
(i) 31st January 2024 – Ordinary Meeting (Minute numbers: 13/24 – 22/24).
(ii) 28th February 2024 – Ordinary Meeting (Minute numbers: 39/24 – 46/24).
Only questions of record may be considered.

5. **GRANTS – EVENTS FUND**

To receive a report from Miss E Richford, Deputy Town Clerk & FO, in relation to one application to the Events Fund received from St George’s Church.

6. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

To note the following Committee Minutes:

- (i) 6th December 2023 – Planning & Infrastructure Committee
- (ii) 24th January 2024 – Town Promotion Committee (Draft)
- (iii) 7th February 2024 – Planning & Infrastructure Committee
- (iv) 21st February 2024 – Finance & General Purposes Committee (Draft)
- (v) 6th March 2024 – Planning & Infrastructure Committee (Draft)
- (vi) 12th March 2024 – Extraordinary Town Promotion Committee (Draft)

7. **THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL – THANET SHOPFRONT GUIDE**

To consider a response from RTC to the consultation from TDC.

8. **ELECTORAL REVIEW OF THANET**

To receive a “Thanet Members Briefing Pack” and “Thanet Parish Councils Presentation” regarding the electoral review for Thanet. It is recommended that this matter be referred to the F&GP Committee for a response. NB. If the F&GP Committee considered this on the 22nd May, the Committee would need to be delegated the power to formulate a response, there would not be sufficient time to bring the matter back to the Council for resolution.

9. **BY-ELECTION POLLING CARDS**

Members are asked to agree a policy about the use of polling cards for by elections; should they be used or not. The cost to add on polling cards for a one-ward by election is i.r.o £1000. It is not compulsory to use polling cards, but we should be consistent, which hasn’t always been the case.

10. **CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

(i) **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC & PRESS**

It is recommended that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

(ii) **CUSTOM HOUSE REPAIRS**

To receive a report from Mrs M Morgan, Technician Manager (Project & Community), and consider the quote therein in relation to The Custom House.

11. **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 24th April 2024 at 7pm.