



Council

Members of the **Council of Gravesham Borough Council** are summoned to attend a meeting to be held Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent on **Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 7.00 pm** when the business specified in the following agenda is proposed to be transacted.

The Government legislation, in response to COVID-19, to permit remote attendance by Elected Members at formal meetings has now expired. Therefore this meeting will be conducted in person with reduced numbers of socially distanced Elected Members in attendance.

This meeting will be streamed live and can be watched via Gravesham Borough Council's YouTube Channel:-

www.youtube.com/graveshamtv

S Walsh
Service Manager (Communities)

Agenda

Part A

Items likely to be considered in Public

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest
3. Election of Mayor for the ensuing municipal year
 - 3.1 The Mayor will call for nominations.
 - 3.2 Members will vote on nominations.
(Note: Candidates may vote)
 - 3.3 The incoming Mayor will be asked by the Chief Executive to read aloud the Declaration of Acceptance of Office required by Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1972.
 - 3.4 The meeting will be paused for several minutes for the new Mayor to receive the Chain of Office.

- 3.5 The new Mayor will give his/her installation speech.
- 3.6 At the conclusion, the Mayor will move “that the best thanks of the Council be accorded to John Caller for the manner in which he has carried out the office of Mayor during the past municipal year”.
- 3.7 The Leader of the Executive will second the motion.
- 3.8 The outgoing Mayor will reply.
- 3.9 The Mayor will announce that a past Mayor’s and Mayoress’s Badge will be presented to the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress after the meeting.

4. Mayoress / Mayor's Escort

The Mayor will announce the Mayoress / Mayor’s Escort for the ensuing municipal year.

5. Appointment of the Civic Chaplain

The Mayor will announce the Civic Chaplain and will invest the incumbent with the Civic Cross after the meeting.

6. Election of the Deputy Mayor for the ensuing municipal year

- 6.1 The Mayor will call for nominations.
- 6.2 Members will vote on nominations.
(**Note:** Candidates may vote)
- 6.3 The incoming Deputy Mayor will be asked by the Chief Executive to read aloud the Declaration of Acceptance of Office required by Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1972.

7. Deputy Mayoress / Deputy Mayor's Escort

The Deputy Mayor will announce the Deputy Mayoress / Deputy Mayor’s Escort for the ensuing municipal year.

8. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, 13 April 2021 (Pages 5 - 8)

The Mayor. Having received approval of the Council, will sign the minutes of the meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 13 April 2021.

9. Confirmation of the arrangements in respect of the Cabinet - for information - details to be circulated separately

- 9.1 The Leader will decide upon the size of the Cabinet (subject to a maximum of ten, including the Leader and Deputy Leader) and will appoint Cabinet members from among the serving Councillors;
- 9.2 The Leader will appoint the Deputy Leader from among the Cabinet members.

10. Representation of Political Groups on Committees - details to be circulated separately

- 10.1 To review the representation of the political groups on the following:

Planning Committee (previously known as the Regulatory Board)
Licensing Committee
Finance and Audit Committee
Overview Scrutiny Committee
Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee
Appointments Board
Standards Committee
Appeals Sub-Committee
Appointments Panel
Hackney Carriage Sub-Committee
Licensing Panel

- 10.2 Subject to the review, to determine the allocation of seat thereon to the Political Groups.

- 10.3 Subject to the Service Manager (Communities) receiving notification of each group's wishes in relation to the appointment of members to those seats, to appoint the Council's Committees as identified in 10.1 above.

11. Appointment of Members to Committee and Boards

To appoint Members together with the Chairs and Vice-Chairs (where required) to the following Committees and Boards:-

Planning Committee (previously known as the Regulatory Board)
Licensing Committee
Finance and Audit Committee
Overview Scrutiny Committee
Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee
Appointments Board
Standards Committee
Appeals Sub-Committee
Appointments Panel
Hackney Carriage Sub-Committee
Licensing Panel

Joint arrangements with other local authorities:-

Joint Transportation Board

South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee

12. Appointment of representatives to Outside Bodies

To make appointments to outside bodies.

13. Scheme of Delegation

To re-affirm the scheme of delegation relating to the Council's functions other than Cabinet functions.

An electronic link to Annex 1 of the Constitution herewith:-

<http://democracy.gravesham.gov.uk/ecSDDisplay.aspx?NAME=Annex%201%20-%20Responsibility%20of%20Functions&ID=2380&RPID=12826180>

14. Timetable of meetings for the forthcoming municipal year

To approve the timetable of meetings for the forthcoming municipal year.

15. Questions

To consider any questions submitted under the Council Procedure Rules from members of the public (Rule 13) or Members of the Council (Rule 14).

To consider reports from officers of the Council

16. Long term loan to Elizabeth Huggins Cottages Charity Housing Association (Pages 9 - 18)
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