



FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda Council

Time and date

Thursday 26th January, 2023 at 7.00 pm

Place

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall.

To ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of **FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL** on **Thursday 26th January, 2023, at 7.00 pm** in the Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall. The Agenda for the meeting is attached.

Yours sincerely

Iain Lynch
Town Clerk

Members' Apologies

Members are requested to submit their apologies and any Declarations of Interest on the relevant form attached to this agenda to customer.services@farnham.gov.uk by 5pm on the day before the meeting.

Recording of Council Meetings

This meeting is digitally recorded and retained until the minutes are signed.

Questions by the Public

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

Members of the Public are welcome and have a right to attend this Meeting. Please note that there is a maximum capacity of 30 in the public gallery.



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Disclosure of Interests Form

Notification by a Member of a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter under consideration at a meeting (Localism Act 2011).

Please use the form below to state in which Agenda Items you have an interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary or other interest in an item, please indicate whether you wish to speak (refer to Farnham Town Council's Code of Conduct for details)

As required by the Localism Act 2011, I hereby declare, that I have a disclosable pecuniary or personal interest in the following matter(s).

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Name of Councillor

Agenda Item No	Nature of interest (please tick/state as appropriate)		Type of interest (disclosable pecuniary or Other) and reason
	I am a Waverley Borough Councillor/Surrey County Councillor*	Other	

* Delete as appropriate



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Prayers

Prior to the meeting prayers will be said in the Council Chamber by Revd David Uffindell, Rector of St Andrew's Church. Councillors and members of the public are welcome to attend.

1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

2 Disclosures of Interest

To receive from members, in respect of any items included on the agenda for this meeting, disclosure of any disclosable pecuniary or other interests, or of any gifts and hospitality, in line with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

NOTES:

- (i) *The following councillors have made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being councillors of Waverley Borough Council: Cllrs Beaman, Cockburn, Dickson, Hesse, MacLeod, Martin, Merryweather, Mirylees, Neale, Ward and Wicks.*
- (ii) *The following councillors have made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being councillors of Surrey County Council: Cllr MacLeod and Cllr Martin; and*
- (iii) *Members are requested to make declarations of interest, on the form attached, to be returned to customer.services@farnham.gov.uk by 5pm on the day before the meeting.*

Members are reminded that if they declare a pecuniary interest they must leave before any debate starts unless dispensation has been obtained.

3 Minutes

(Pages 7 - 14)

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Farnham Town Council meeting held on 15 December 2022 at Appendix A.

4 Co-option of Councillor for the Bourne Ward

Following the death of Councillor Blishen, one candidate has completed an application to fill the vacant position to represent the Bourne.

Mr Tony Fairclough will be invited to make a three minute presentation which will be followed by questions from Council at the Mayor's discretion. There will then be a vote on the co-option with the candidate needing to receive an absolute majority of those present and voting.

5 Questions and Statements by the Public

In accordance with Standing Order 10.1, the Town Mayor will invite members of the public present to ask questions or make statements.

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

6 Town Mayor's Announcements

To receive the Town Mayor's announcements.

7 Questions by Members

To consider any questions from councillors in accordance with Standing Order 9.

From Councillor John Neale:

Now that this council has abandoned its objective of delivering some form of pedestrianisation in Farnham town centre (Paragraph 9 *Farnham Project, Key Principles and Objectives, Adopted by Farnham Town Council 14-05-20*), how does it expect to achieve, or to influence the principal councils to achieve:

1. Improvements to air quality in the town centre, in accordance with the Local Air Quality Action Plan?
2. Encouragement of modal change in its citizens' travel choices, together with a determined plan for the introduction of attractive and viable bus transport options?
3. The provision of a safer and viable road system for cyclists to access and traverse the town centre?
4. Its declared Climate Change policies, in particular to encourage the local community to reduce its carbon footprint. (Council Minute C81/19: v of 19th September 2019)?
5. Reduction in modern traffic management paraphernalia, with a view to improving the heritage characteristics of the town centre conservation area?

The inference of all these statements is that a transformation of the town centre, which disallowed through traffic by, say, 2030, through a phased introduction of enabling measures, would have made a major contribution to these objectives. Contrarily, the current plans of the council are likely to exacerbate the problems. So, what is the council now expecting to do, instead, to address these issues in order to achieve health and wellbeing benefits for Farnham residents?

Part I - Items for Decisions

8 Working Group Notes

(Pages 15 - 70)

To receive the notes and any recommendations of the following Working Groups:

- i) Tourism and Events held on 11th January 2023 **Appendix B**
- ii) Strategy and Finance held on 17th January 2023 **Appendix C**

To receive a briefing update from the informal Cemeteries and Appeals Working Group held on 12th January and an update on matters pertaining to the Community Enhancement Working Group as the meeting on 18th January was cancelled. **Appendix D**

9 Precept 2023-24

(Pages 71 - 74)

To consider the report at Appendix E from the Strategy & Finance Working Group and agree the level of precept for 2023-24.

10 Planning and Licensing Applications (Pages 75 - 92)

To receive the minutes of the Planning & Licensing Consultative Group meetings held on 9th and 23rd January 2023 at Appendices F, and G.

Part 2 - Items to Note

11 Actions taken under the Scheme of Delegation

12 Reports from Other Councils

To receive from Councillors any updates on matters affecting Farnham from Waverley Borough Council and Surrey County Council.

13 Reports from Outside Bodies

To receive from Members any verbal reports on Outside Bodies where they represent Farnham Town Council.

14 Date of Next Meeting

To agree the date of the next meeting as Thursday 16th March 2023 at 7pm.

15 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To pass a Resolution to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting at Part 3 of the agenda (if required) in view of any confidential items under discussion.

Item 3 - Confidential Items

16 Any confidential matters (if required) arising from discussions of the Working Group notes.

Council Membership:

Alan Earwaker (Mayor), Michaela Wicks (Deputy Mayor), David Attfield, David Beaman, Carole Cockburn, Sally Dickson, Pat Evans, Paula Dunsmore, John "Scotty" Fraser, George Hesse, Andy MacLeod, George Murray, Michaela Martin, Mark Merryweather, Kika Mirylees, John Neale and John Ward.