



Spelthorne Borough Council

Council Meeting
Thursday, 22 April 2021



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To the Councillors of Spelthorne Borough Council

I hereby summon you to attend a meeting of the Council to be held remotely via Microsoft Teams video conferencing on **Thursday, 22 April 2021** commencing at **6.00 pm** for the transaction of the following business.

Daniel Mouawad
Chief Executive

Councillors are encouraged to wear their badge of past office at the Council meeting.

Councillors are reminded to notify Committee Services of any Gifts and Hospitality offered to you since the last Council meeting so that these may be entered in the Gifts and Hospitality Declaration book.

AGENDA

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1. Minutes silence in remembrance of His Royal Highness, Prince Phillip, The Duke of Edinburgh

2. Apologies for absence

To receive any apologies for non-attendance.

3. Minutes

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 February 2021 and the Extraordinary meetings held on 4 and 25 March 2021.

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4. Disclosures of Interest

To receive any disclosures of interest from Councillors in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for Members.

5. Announcements from the Mayor

To receive any announcements from the Mayor.

6. Announcements from the Leader

To receive any announcements from the Leader.

7. Announcements from the Chief Executive

To receive any announcements from the Chief Executive.

8. Questions from members of the public

The Leader, or his nominee, to answer any questions raised by members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 14.

Note: the deadline for questions to be considered at this meeting is 12 noon on Thursday 15 April 2021.

At the time of publication of this agenda two questions were received.

Question from Mr A. McLuskey

In the light of the 'scorched earth' policy being pursued by gravel company Cemex at Stanwell Quarry in clear opposition to information in the public domain and also totally against the tenor of the recent 'Green' messages in the Spelthorne Bulletin - will the Council use its good offices to represent to both Cemex and Surrey County Council that the spoliation of this beautiful location cease forthwith?

Question from Mr A. Woodward

Given that the Council has committed to sustainable development defined as, "Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." and to "using sound science responsibly", will the Council ensure that the Local Plan and the Staines upon Thames Development Framework take account of the latest science indicating that global warming is on track to exceed safe limits, including measures such as; restricting any new large scale construction, refurbishing existing structures and protecting the remaining greenbelt?

9. Petitions

To receive any petitions from members of the public.

10. Calendar of Meetings 2021-2022

To consider the draft calendar of meetings for 2021 to 2022. 43 - 52

11. Report from the Leader of the Council

To receive the report from the Leader of the Council on the work of the Cabinet at its ordinary meeting on 24 March, its extraordinary meeting on 29 March 2021 (attached) and its extraordinary meeting on 14 April (to follow). 53 - 54

12. Report from the Chairman of the Audit Committee

To receive the report from the Chairman of the Audit Committee on the work of his Committee. 55 - 56

13. Report from the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

To receive the report from the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the work of her Committee. 57 - 60

14. Report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee

To receive the report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee on the work of his Committee. 61 - 62

15. Motions

To receive any motions from Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 19. 63 - 64

Note: The deadline for motions to be considered at this meeting was Monday 12 April 2021 and two were received.

Motion 1

To Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill (the background information provided with this Motion is attached)

That Council resolves to:

- i. Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill
- i. Inform the local media of this decision;
- i. Write to Mr Kwasi Kwarteng asking him to support the CEE Bill; and
- i. Write to the CEE Bill Alliance, the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, expressing its support (campaign@ceebill.uk).

Proposer: Councillor J. Doerfel

Seconded: Councillor T. Lagden

Motion 2 – Project Delivery Fund

The Council notes:

- that the Forecast Outturn for 2021/22 shows that £497k can be released from the Project Delivery Fund for other projects as stated at section 2.4 of the Revenue Monitoring Report 2020/2021.
- that these are "savings" in the 2020/21 Forecast Outturn and hence would not have any impact on the 2021/22 Budget as presented to Council on 25th February.

The Council herewith decides to allocate these funds (to the value of £497k) to the £250k identified in the Budget for 2021/22 as seed funding for Green Initiatives (including projects to tackle the climate emergency) bringing the total to £747,000 for both capital and revenue grants available to local organisations.

Proposer: Councillor J. Doerfel

Seconded: Councillor T. Lagden

16. Questions on Ward Issues

The Leader, or his nominee, to answer questions from Councillors on issues in their Wards, in accordance with Standing Order 15.

Note: the deadline for questions to be considered at this meeting is 12 noon on Thursday 15 April 2021.

At the time of publication no questions had been received.

17. General questions

The Leader, or his nominee, to answer questions from Councillors on matters affecting the Borough, in accordance with Standing Order 15.

Note: the deadline for questions to be considered at this meeting is 12 noon on Thursday 15 April 2021.

At the time of the publication of this agenda one question had been received.

Question from Councillor J. Doerfel

On 20 October 2020, this Council passed a motion on idling. What has this Council done in the last 6 months to "declare a no idling zone as a matter of urgency", to "encourage all residents and businesses to stop engine idling", to raise awareness in Council publications, communications, and Council campaigns about the harm of idling, to "encourage and assist schools, businesses, and other partners in the Borough to highlight the health hazards and environmental impact of idling and to take measures to combat idling through signage and other measures", to write to Surrey County Council urging the Council to proactively address the declaration of a Clean Air Zone and combat idling as a matter of urgency including through the implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order to this effect, increased use of custom signage, idling penalties and increased enforcement resourcing for monitoring of idling hotspots including in busy shopping areas, car parks, near schools and in residential areas and to write to the Government for legislative reform?

18. Appointment of a representative Trustee

To consider the appointment of Council representative Trustees to the Ashford Relief in Need (ARIN) Charity.

Councillors Tony Harman and Robin Sider BEM for a four year period ending in April 2025.