

**To all Members of the Council**

8 September 2023

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Rother District Council to be on **Monday 18 September 2023** at 6:30pm at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea, when it is proposed to transact the business stated below.

At 6:25pm, prior to the commencement of the meeting, you are invited to join the Chair in prayer which will be led by her Chaplain, the Dean of Battle, the Reverend Lee Duckett.

1. To approve as a correct record and to authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 31 July 2023

2. To receive apologies for absence

3. Disclosure of Interest

To receive any disclosure by Members of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the personal interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to the commencement of the item in question.

4. To receive the Chair's Communications

5. To answer questions from members of the public, if any, in accordance with paragraph 10 of the Council Procedure Rules (\*time limit 30 minutes)

6. To answer questions from Members of the Council, if any in accordance with paragraph 11 of the Council Procedure Rules (\*time limit 30 minutes)

7. To receive the report of the Cabinet on matters for determination by full Council at its meeting on 4 September 2023, as under: (Pages 5 - 6)

**4 September 2023**

➤ Lawn Tennis Association Tennis Foundation Grant (CB23/23)

8. To receive the report of the Audit and Standards Committee (Pages 7 - 8)

**26 July 2023**

➤ Independent Person (Standards) - Proposed Extension to Term of Office (AS23/18)

9. To receive the Annual Report of the Audit and Standards Committee on audit related Matters (Pages 9 - 14)

10. To receive the report of the Human Resources Committee on matters for determination by full Council at its meeting held on 30 August, as under:  
(Pages 15 - 18)

**30 August 2023**

➤ Home Working Allowance (HR23/08)

11. To receive a presentation from Stewart Drew, Director and Chief Executive of the De La Warr Pavilion on the De La Warr Pavilion Charitable Trust Annual Report 2022-23 (Pages 19 - 52)

12. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12 consideration be given to the following Motion to Council submitted by Councillor Legg:

**MOTION ON THE PROTECTION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR ROTHER**

That Council adopt the following statement:

1. "This Council values the importance of local fire service provision, and is of the view that the reduction of crew, engines or operational hours would not be desirable as it could present an increased risk to public safety";
  2. That Council ask the appropriate officer(s) to engage with East Sussex Fire Authority on their review of fire service provision; and
  3. That the Chief Executive be requested to write to local MPs to ask that Government funding be sought to protect essential services for the District.
13. To receive the report of the Director - Place and Climate Change on the Delegations to Officers in respect of the Planning Service (Pages 53 - 60)
14. To receive the report of the Chief Executive on the designation of the Council's Interim Monitoring Officer (Pages 61 - 62)
15. To debate a petition received from the "No to Northeys" campaign group relating to the Home Office proposals to use the former military base at Northeys as a centre for people seeking asylum (Pages 63 - 64)



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*\*Any supplementary verbal questions put will be audio recorded for ease of reproducing the minutes of the meeting*

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