



COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting to be held on Thursday 23rd March 2023 at 7pm in the Council Chambers, 10 Melrose Road, West Mersea, Colchester CO5 8JD.

16th March 2023

Councillors are summoned to attend the above meeting to deal with the following business.

Cllr Carl Powling Mayor

Members of the public and press are warmly welcomed to attend.
Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell or have any COVID symptoms.

AGENDA

- 23/069 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive apologies for absence and a vote of acceptance to be taken
- 23/070 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Councillors will be reminded that they must declare in relation to this agenda any disclosable pecuniary interests which would prevent them from participating in any discussion or participating in any vote upon the item, or any other pecuniary interest, any other registerable interest or non-registerable interest which would prevent them from participating in any discussion or participating in any vote upon the item.
- 23/071 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
A period of up to 15 minutes (maximum of 3 minutes per person) for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments about items on the agenda and any other matters they wish to bring to the Council's attention.
- 23/072 **COUNTY AND CITY COUNCILLORS REPORTS**
To receive reports from our County and City Councillors
- 23/073 **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**
• To confirm minutes of the Council meeting of 2nd March 2023
- 23/074 **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS**
To approve payments to be made

- 23/075 Motion that WMTC Town Meeting be postponed to a date outside of Pre-Election Period
- 23/076 Cllr Powling proposes to accept the following costs from NEPP to carry out the following works to be funded by the devolution fund: -
1. Double yellow junction markings for:
 - a. Firs Road / High Street North
 - b. Mersea Av / High Street North
 - c. Lower Kingsland / Kingsland Close
 - d. Lower Kingsland / Goings Lane
 - e. St Peters Road / Mersea Av
 2. Dead end signage / no park access for cross lane
- 23/077 Cllr Powling proposes to donate the remainder of the Covid account to the Porch Pantry.
- 23/078 **Colchester Road Iron Sign refurbishment.**
To discuss and agree to fund the material refurbishment of the Colchester Road direction sign from the Devolution fund to a maximum cost of £1500.
- 23/079 To consider a suggestion from NEPP to leave open overnight in the summer months both Willoughby and Esplanade car parks and to charge an overnight rate of £1 from 6pm to 8am.
- 23/080 To consider a request by the Planning Committee about the process for responding.
To decide upon action. Document to follow.
Planning Application 23 0420
Application to discharge conditions 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16 & 19 from outline application 20 0351. Land at, Dawes Lane, West Mersea
- 23/081 **Party Political Leaflet**
This Council reaffirms that a) it is non-political following the publication of the recent leaflet/survey by the Conservative and Unionist Party b) confirms it was not done in the name of the Council c) The Council publishes a statement to this effect.
Cllr. Akker Cllr. Wood
- 23/082 Motion that, following resident complaints and expressions of concern, in accordance with the 1992 Badger Act – a legal obligation for WMTC – WMTC request a Judicial Review for development land at Rushmore Close, following ecology changes on the site.
- 23/083 **CLERKS REPORT**
- 23/084 **MAYORS NOTES**
Mayor to propose donations from his account to the following:
- West Mersea Lions
 - Colchester Mayoral charities
 - Proud Of Mersea
 - Porch Pantry
 - Refresh Mersea
- 23/085 **AGENDA ITEMS**
Items for inclusion on the next Council agenda