

3 January 2001

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the Council will be held at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden on Tuesday 9 January 2001 at 7.45 pm or at the conclusion of the question and answer session, whichever is the earlier.

Yours faithfully

ELIZABETH FORBES

Chief Executive

Commencing at 7.30 pm, there will be an opportunity of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions and make statements subject to having given two working days prior notice.

A G E N D A P A R T I

- 1 Presentation of Essex Playing Fields Association's Certificates of Merit – Clavering and Radwinter.
- 2 Apologies for absence.
- 3 To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9 October 2000 (Page 221) and the special meeting of the Council held on 18 December 2000 (Page 367).
- 4 Business arising.
- 5 Chairman's communications.
- 6 Returning Officer's Report (attached).
- 7 Minutes of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 19 December 2000 (Page 325).

- 8 Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held on 30 November 2000 (Page 240).
- 9 Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on 5 December 2000 (Page 280).
- 10 Minutes of the meetings of the Leisure (PFI) Board held on 27 September, 16 October and 5 December 2000 (Pages 233, 235 and 237).
- 11 Minutes of the meeting of the Contracts Board held on 20 November 2000 (Page 230).
- 12 Notices of Motion

(i) A Strategy for Co-ordinating Disability Issues

To consider the following notice of motion proposed by Councillor Peter Wilcock.

“This Council endorses the principle of supporting an environment where all Uttlesford residents with disabilities regardless of sex, age, race or socio-economic status have equal access in all aspects of their lives.

It recognises that disability may be: apparent or hidden, severe or mild, singular or multiple, chronic or intermittent; and that types of disability include mobility/agility, mental/cognitive, hearing, speaking and visual impairment.

This Council therefore intends to prepare a Strategy for Co-ordinating Disability Issues to:

- (a) heighten awareness of disability issues in Uttlesford
- (b) ensure open communication between those with disabilities, all levels of government, and related agencies
- (c) facilitate review of council policy to encourage the empowerment of people with disabilities, in community living, education, training, employment, transportation and travel issues.

The Council instructs its officers to prepare an appropriate report to a future meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.”

(ii) Stansted Airport

To consider the following notice of motion proposed by Councillor Robert Chambers and seconded by Councillor Margaret Caton.

“This Council considers that it is an important part of its function to ascertain the views of all its residents on aspects of possible future development at Stansted Airport.

It therefore instructs its officers to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Council's Policy and Resources Committee on the practical, legal and financial implications of conducting a district wide referendum on the subject".

- 13 Code of Practice: Probity in Planning (attached).
- 14 Political Balance on the Council.
- 15 To consider questions (if any) under Standing Order 10.
- 16 Any other items which the Chairman considers to be urgent.

To: All Members of the Council

Lead Officer: Elizabeth Forbes
Committee Officer: Laurel Crowe

MEETINGS AND THE PUBLIC

Members of the public are welcome to attend any of the Council's Committee and Sub-Committee meetings and listen to the debate.

You also have the opportunity to ask questions or make statements before meetings of the Council and the Policy and Resources, Planning and Development and Community Services Committees. This 'question time' takes place at 7.30 pm prior to the normal business of the meeting. You must give at least 2 working days notice if you intend to speak. Also, it would be helpful if you could let us know what the questions are, so that we can investigate the issue for you, if possible.

The agenda is split into 2 parts. Most of the business is dealt with in Part I which is open to the public. Part II includes items which must be discussed in the absence of the press or public, as they might deal with information which is personal or sensitive for some other reason. You will be asked to leave the meeting before Part II items are discussed.

You are entitled to see any of the background papers that are listed at the end of each report.

If you want to inspect background papers or speak before a meeting please contact either Mick Purkiss on 01799 510430, Laurel Crowe on 01799 510433 or Maggie Cox on 01799 510434 or by fax on 01799 510550.