



GREAT YARMOUTH
BOROUGH COUNCIL

A G E N D A

for the

**meeting
of the**

COUNCIL

23 April 2009

at 7.00 pm

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COUNCIL

To be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Great Yarmouth
on Thursday, 23 April 2009 at 7.00 pm

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

You have a PERSONAL INTEREST in a matter being discussed at a meeting IF

- It relates to something on your Register of Interests form; or
- A decision on it would affect you, your family or friends more than other people in your Ward.

You have a PREJUDICIAL INTEREST in a matter being discussed at a meeting IF

- It affects your financial position or that of your family or friends more than other people in your Ward; or
- It concerns a planning or licensing application you or they have submitted
- AND IN EITHER CASE a reasonable member of the public would consider it to be so significant that you could not reach an unbiased decision.

If your interest is only PERSONAL, you must declare it but can still speak and vote. If your interest is PREJUDICIAL, you must leave the room. However, you have the same rights as a member of the public to address the meeting before leaving.

1. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 19 February and 26 March 2009.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To consider any questions raised by a member of the public. No questions have been received to date.

3. REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION

(a) Annual Audit and Inspection Letter – Audit 2007/08

To consider the Audit Commission's Annual Audit and Inspection Letter attached to the agenda for Cabinet of 22 April.

(b) Planning and Transportation Strategy in Great Yarmouth

On reference from Cabinet of 18 March 2009, Council is recommended to agree that a Group, comprising four County Council Members and three Borough Council Members with a political balance be agreed to keep under review the Planning and Transportation Strategy in Great Yarmouth, such Group to meet quarterly with meetings planned to cover identified issues in depth following an agreed programme. (Relevant reports attached to the Cabinet agenda of 18 March).

(c) Proposed Gorleston Conservation Area Extension

To consider the report of the Head of Regeneration and Environment attached to the Cabinet agenda of 22 April 2009.

(d) Code of Corporate Governance

To consider the report of the Head of Financial Services attached to the Cabinet agenda of 22 April 2009.

(e) Committee Timetable 2009/10

To consider the report of the Member Services Manager and Scrutiny Officer attached to the agenda for Cabinet of 22 April 2009.

(f) Committee Memberships 2009/10

To agree the appointments to Committees for the Municipal Year 2009/10. (Details to be tabled at the meeting).

(g) Appointments to Outside Bodies 2009/10

To agree the appointments to Outside Bodies for the Municipal Year 2009/10. (Details to be tabled at the meeting).

(h) Amendment to Article 10 of the Constitution

... To agree an amendment to Article 10 of the Constitution relating to the Area Scrutiny Committees (page 1).

(NB: Members are asked to bring their copies of the reports referred to in items (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) above).

4. MINUTES OF MEETINGS

(i) Council – 19 February and 26 March 2009

The Mayor will present the above minutes (attached under separate cover).

(ii) **Cabinet – 18 March and 22 April 2009**

The Leader will present the above minutes. (Minutes of 18 March attached under separate cover, the minutes of 22 April to be tabled at the meeting).

(iii) **Scrutiny Committee – 23 February and 30 March 2009**

The Chairman will present the above minutes (attached under separate cover).

(iv) **Audit and Risk Committee – 7 April 2009**

The Chairman will present the above minutes (attached under separate cover).

(NB The above minutes are enclosed under separate cover).

5. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

In accordance with paragraphs 10.2 and 10.4 of Part 4 (Rules of Procedure) of the Constitution, Council will consider the following Member's questions:-

(a) **Questions from Councillor Pettit**

- (1) How many Public Conveniences are there within the Great Yarmouth Borough?
- (2) Where are they situated?
- (3) What dates and times are they open to the public?
- (4) Why have the Public conveniences, opposite Dickens Avenue, at the entrance to the Pleasure Beach been demolished?
- (5) Does the Leader of the Council agree that some KEY toilets need to be open on the Seafront, all year round, to meet the needs of walkers, fishermen and long distance lorry drivers?
- (6) With Maritime House being used on a regular basis for meetings and especially with the summer season upon us, would it be pertinent to issue Councillors, who do not live within the A zone permit parking area, with temporary parking vouchers should the pay and display near the Marina Centre be full of visitors vehicles?

6. REPORT OF LEADER ON URGENT KEY DECISIONS MADE SINCE THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING WHICH WERE NOT IN THE FORWARD PLAN

The Leader will report.

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ARTICLE 10 – AREA SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

10.1 YARMOUTH AREA SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Composition – the 10 Borough Councillors representing the Yarmouth North, Central & Northgate, Nelson and Southtown & Cobholm wards.

Role – to scrutinise service delivery and locality/partnership working across the town areas of Yarmouth, and to make recommendations to the Council's Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees (as appropriate).

Frequency of meetings – the Committee shall meet twice each year.

Chairman and Vice- Chairman – these positions will be shared between the political parties 2009-10 Labour Chair, Conservative Vice- Chair.

Co-options – at the Committee's discretion representatives of local community groups may be invited to sit on the Committee in an ex-officio capacity.

10.2 GORLESTON AREA SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Composition – the 10 Borough Councillors representing the Claydon, Magdalen, St. Andrews and Gorleston wards.

Role – to scrutinise service delivery and locality/partnership working within Gorleston and to make recommendations directly to the Council's Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees (as appropriate).

Frequency of meetings – the Committee shall meet twice each year.

Chairman and Vice- Chairman – these positions will be shared between the political parties 2009-10 Conservative Chair, Labour Vice-Chair.

Co-options – at the Committee's discretion representatives of local community groups may be invited to sit on the Committee in an ex-officio capacity.