

# NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



## COUNCIL

Monday, 7 March 2016

**YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2016 AT 6:30 PM WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED**

- 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 2. APOLOGIES.**
- 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PETITIONS**
- 5. MEMBER AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

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- 6. CABINET MEMBER PRESENTATIONS**

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- 7. OPPOSITION GROUP BUSINESS**

Councillor Russell to make a statement on "Our role in Community Safety."

- 8. STATEMENT OF GAMBLING POLICY**

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**9. CHANGES TO LABOUR GROUP AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES**

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**10. PAY POLICY STATEMENT**

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**11. EXEMPTION FROM CALL-IN AND URGENT EXECUTIVE DECISIONS**

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**12. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2016-17**

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**13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

i) Councillor Haque to propose and Councillor Davenport to second:

“There are two major environmental issues affecting this town that we can deal with through action by the Borough council.

We therefore call on the administration to take action to:

Designate refuse sacks that are put out too early as a form of litter (before 7pm the night before). This will allow on the spot fines to be levied as a deterrent.

Work with the County Council to remove the build outs in roads. This will free space for more parking and take away the sites presently used for fly tipping”.

ii) Councillor Stone to propose and Councillor Birch to second:

“The Syrian Refugee crisis is a global crisis where we are witnessing the biggest movement and the biggest need for resettlement of people since the Second World War. This Borough must play its part in the Government’s resettlement programmes.

We resolve to work with the county to take 50 families over the next 4years.

Resettled families will receive all the support they need to find accommodation, school places, medical care and access to training and employment.

We propose to take 5 families in year 1, 10 in year 2, and 15 in year 3 and 20 in year 4”.

**14. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.**

## **Public Participation**

### **1. Comments and Petitions**

- 1.1 A member of the public (or an accredited representative of a business ratepayer of the Borough) may make a comment or present a petition on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. A comment or presentation of a petition shall be for no more than three minutes. No notice of the nature of the comment to be made or of the petition is required except for the need to register to speak by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

(Public comments and petitions will not be taken and the Annual Council Meeting or other civic or ceremonial meetings.)

#### **NOTES**

- i. Comments may be on one or more subjects but each person has no longer than three minutes to have their say.*
- ii. The same person may make a comment and present a petition on different subjects. In such instances that person will have three minutes to make their comment and a separate three minutes to present a petition.*

### **2. Member and Public Questions**

- 2.1 A member of the public (or business ratepayer of the Borough) may ask a maximum of two written questions at each meeting, each limited to a maximum of 50 words, on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers. Each question shall:
- be submitted in writing and delivered, faxed or e-mailed to Democratic Services no later than 10.00am seven calendar days before the day of the meeting; and
  - include the name and address of the questioner and the name of the Cabinet member/Committee Chair to whom the question is put.

- 2.2 At the meeting, copies of all questions and the responses to them from the public and Members will be made available to the public and press. The Mayor may allow one supplementary question, without notice, that arises directly from the original question or response.

(Questions will not be taken at the Annual Council Meeting or at civic or ceremonial meetings or meetings called to deal with specific items of business.)

#### **NOTES**

*In respect of paragraph 2.1 above, questions may be rejected on certain grounds that are set out on page 4-12 of the Council's Constitution and which may be viewed at [www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/download\\_info.php?fileID=1919](http://www.northampton.gov.uk/site/scripts/download_info.php?fileID=1919) or by seeking advice using the contact details below.*

### **3. Motions**

- 3.1 A member of the public may register to speak to a motion under the 'Notices of Motion' item on the agenda. Registration to speak must be made to Democratic Services by 12 noon on the day to the meeting. Speaking to a motion is restricted to three minutes per person.

(The 'Notices of Motion' item will not be taken at the Annual Council meeting or meetings called for civic or ceremonial purposes.)

#### 4. General

A member of the public may make a comment, present a petition, ask a question or speak to a motion at the same meeting subject to the restrictions set out above.

#### 5. Contacts

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