

Summons to and Agenda for a Meeting on Thursday, 20th October, 2022 at 10.00 am



DEMOCRATIC SERVICES SESSIONS HOUSE MAIDSTONE

Wednesday, 12 October 2022

To: All Members of the County Council

A meeting of the County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XQ on Thursday, 20th October, 2022 at **10.00 am** to deal with the following business. **The meeting is scheduled to end by 4.30pm.**

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Significant Interests in items on the agenda
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2022 and, if in order, to be (Pages 1 12) approved as a correct record
- 4. Corporate Parenting Panel Minutes for noting (Pages 13 20)

Minutes of the meeting held on 27 July 2022

- 5. Chairman's Announcements
- 6. Questions
- 7. Report by Leader of the Council (Oral)

8.	Cost of Living	(Pages 21 - 44)
9.	Update on Kent's Plan Bee	(Pages 45 - 52)

- 10. Ukraine/Refugee Update report (Pages 53 62)
- 11. Treasury Management Annual Review 2021-22 (Pages 63 84)
- 12. Scrutiny referral of Decision 22/00052 KCC Supported Bus (Pages 85 134) Funding Review

14. Motions for Time Limited Debate

Motion 1

Motion for Time Limited Debate – Kent water quality

Proposer: Mark Hood Seconder: Mike Sole

Motion:

This Council resolves to:

- Recognise this Council's commitment to work collaboratively to protect Kent's streams and rivers, in line with its own policies and the National Planning Policy Framework.
- Recognise that there is clear evidence of deterioration of water quality due to the impacts of combined sewer overflows events (CSO) on our streams, rivers and seas.
- Encourage the use of Water Cycle Strategies to be completed as integral documents in Local Plans to inform district councils regarding the sustainable level of future development.
- 4. Recognise the continuing impact of wastewater discharges, including untreated sewage in our local rivers and seas on wildlife, the health of our residents and on Kents tourist economy.
- Continue to working constructively with other agencies and local authorities to implement flood management schemes which also improve the environment in the interests of wildlife.
- 6. Continue to request that representatives of Southern Water, the Environment Agency and Natural England continue to attend relevant meetings of this Council to answer questions on the current levels of CSO and sewage plant discharge and to consider whether all future development in Kent should be Water Neutral or at least to require consumption be limited to 90lt of clean water per person in agreement with District Councils.

- 7. Ask Southern Water to clarify, for developments being processed by our planning department, which treatment works will be managing the sewerage and whether there is available capacity to avoid combined sewer overflows; whether it has the information available to assess the impact on the number or duration of sewage discharges into local rivers or seas and if it does have this information, to share it (noting that this can only be requested not required).
- 8. Acknowledge that reducing demand for water, reducing the amount of non-foul wastewater finding its way to Waste Water Treatment Works and ensuring that clean surface water is fed instead into Kent's streams and rivers can reduce eutrophication on our slow flowing rivers.

Motion 2

Motion for Time Limited Debate - Fracking

Proposer: Antony Hook

Seconder: Richard Streatfeild

Motion:

This council resolves to record its profound concern about the possibility of fracking in Kent and asks the Leader of the Council to convey these concerns to the UK Government.

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