

Agenda

COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday
25 April 2019
7.00 pm

Lord Mayor: Councillor Colin Spooner
Chief Executive: Colin Carmichael

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17 April 2019

To: The Members of the CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL

I hereby summon you to attend **A MEETING OF THE CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL** to be held at **THE GUILDHALL, ST PETER'S PLACE, CANTERBURY ON THURSDAY 25 APRIL 2019 at 7.00 pm** for the transaction of the business described in the following agenda.

Chief Executive

A G E N D A

7 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FULL COUNCIL

Councillors must read the reports to the [Governance Committee](#) and [Policy and Resources Committee](#) as appropriate for the items below, these can be viewed on the Council's website.

TO CONSIDER the following recommendations to **Full Council**:

(e) Annual Pay Policy Report (Minute 829)

The [Policy and Resources Committee on 17 April 2019](#) recommended that –

The Pay Policy Statement for 2019/20 be adopted.

10 NOTICE OF MOTION REPORT BACK: REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS (MINUTE 827)

TO NOTE the resolution of the Policy and Resources Committee in response to the notice of motion, to Full Council in February 2019, that was referred to the Committee for consideration:

RESOLVED: That -

- (a) The council endorses the actions detailed in the report.
- (b) The Policy and Resources Committee recommends to the next council that it:
 - a. Strongly consider climate change when it formulates its corporate plan and treats it as a priority.
 - b. Work with the appropriate parties to encourage other authorities to take action to reduce their carbon emissions.

- (c) Officers prepare the following reports for the next Policy and Resources Committee meeting:
 - i. A report on the energy saving measures that the council can take to reduce its corporate carbon emissions.
 - ii. A list of policies that could be considered as part of the forthcoming review of the local plan that would improve energy efficiency and carbon neutrality of future developments.

13 TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS SPECIFIED AND TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON ANY OF THE MINUTES

(Note: By virtue of Article 17.03 of the Council Procedure Rules there shall be no amendment to resolved minutes, save on the written advice from the Monitoring Officer and/or the Chief Financial Officer).

Some minutes will follow in an agenda supplement.

- (f) Planning Committee - 2 April 2019 (Pages 5 - 11)
- (j) Policy and Resources Committee - 17 April 2019 (Pages 12 - 22)

CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd April, 2019
at 6.30 pm in The Guildhall, St Peter's Place, Canterbury**

- Present:** Councillor Samper (Chairman)
Councillor Clark
Councillor B Baker
Councillor Doyle
Councillor Eden-Green
Councillor Glover
Councillor R Jones
Councillor H Taylor
Councillor D Thomas
Councillor I Thomas
Councillor R Thomas
Councillor Baldock (In place of Councillor Warley)
- In attendance** Councillor A Cook
Councillor Howes*
- Officers:** Stevie Andrews - Planning Manager (Development Management)
Simon Thomas - Head of Planning
Cath Wallen - Senior Solicitor
Olly Ansell - Planning Officer
Joanna Dymowska - Senior Planning Officer
Andrew Gambrell - Planning Officer
Josie Newman - Democratic Services Manager
Chris Pragnell - Senior Planning Officer

(*present for part of the meeting)

760 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Waters and Warley.

761 **SUBSTITUTE COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Baldock was present as a substitute for Councillor Warley.

762 **DECLARATION OF ANY INTERESTS BY COUNCILLORS OR OFFICERS**

The following declaration of interests were made:

- Many of the councillors had received representations and communications regarding some of the applications that were due to be heard.
- Some of the public speakers were known to members of the Committee.

- Councillor Eden-Green was the Council’s representative on the Strategic Access Management and Monitoring Strategy (SAMMS).
- Councillors I Thomas and R Thomas were also Kent County Councillors.

763 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The public speakers for the meeting were heard immediately before the consideration of the relevant application below.

764 MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY, 5 MARCH 2019 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the above meeting were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

765 REQUESTS BY COUNCILLORS FOR SITE INSPECTIONS OR FOR THE DEFERRAL OF APPLICATIONS

One councillor requested a site visit in relation to 81 Spenser Road, however, this was not seconded.

766 LIST OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PROPOSALS

The Committee considered the planning applications received the observations thereon of interested parties, the reports and recommendations of the Head of Planning and the comments at the meeting by the public speakers on the applications referred to below.

At the commencement of the consideration of the applications at the meeting the Committee received a presentation about the application (which included the display of plans drawings and photographs, as appropriate).

Planning Application / Site / Page Nos.	Speakers
CA/18/02290/FUL (Pages 15-45) Eddington Park, Herne Bay Golf Club, Thanet Way, Herne Bay, CT6 7PG	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr Graham Miles, Herne Bay Sports Hub (Supporter) 2. Mr Johnathan Ashby (Objector) 3. Mr Huw Evans (Applicant)
CA/18/02299/FUL (Pages 46-74) Eddington Park, Herne Bay Golf Club, Thanet Way, Herne Bay, CT6 7PG	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr Huw Evans (Applicant)
CA/18/02242/FUL (Pages 75-90) Land North of Thanet Way, West of the Roundabout, Junction with Greenhill Road/Greenhill Bridge Road, Herne Bay	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr Peter Vickery-Jones (Supporter) 2. Mr Vince McMarne 3. Mr Neil Boddy (Objector) 4. Mr Oliver McGuinness (Applicant) 5. Cllr Andrew Cook (Neighbouring Ward Councillor) 6. Cllr Joe Howes (Neighbouring Ward Councillor)
CA/18/00476/FUL (Pages 91-106) Goose Farm, Shalloak Road, Broad Oak, Sturry, CT2 0QE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms Peta Boucher - Canterbury District Committee (Objector) 2. Ms Heather Stennett (Objector) 3. Ms Karen Banks (Agent)

CA//18/02512/FUL (Pages 107-114) St John Stone House, 41 St Thomas Hill, Canterbury, CT2 8HW	1. Mr Mayler Colloton - Clague Architects (Agent)
CA//18/01996/FUL (Pages 115-127) 81 Spenser Road, Herne Bay, CT6 6AP	1. Mr Alan Chapman (Objector) 2. Ms Sarah Crouch (Objector)
CA//18/02579/FUL (Pages 128-133) Holmbury, Church Road, Littlebourne, CT3 1UA	No speakers registered
CA//18/02040/FUL (Pages 134-140) Port Farm Industrial Units, Island Road, Upstreet, Chislet, CT3 4DA	1. Mr Adair Giuliano - Sterling Architecture (Agent)
CA//18/02014/FUL (Pages 141-155) Arbele House, Chapel Lane, Blean, CT2 9HF	No speakers registered
CA//18/02015/LB (Pages 156-162) Arbele House, Chapel Lane, Blean, CT2 9HF	No speakers registered
CA//18/02540/FUL (Pages 163-170) 1 Sandpiper Road, Whitstable, CT5 4DP	No speakers registered

766.1 Application No.CA//18/02290/FUL Eddington Park, Herne Bay Golf Club, Thanet Way, Herne Bay, CT6 7PG

Proposed 93 residential dwellings, 1,179 sqm of office (B1a) floorspace and 372 sqm of retail (A1) set over 7 blocks of up to 2 and 3 storeys.

The Senior Planning officer advised that there was a second application to consider on the agenda which concerned that the same site. He also advised that there was a further condition to be added to limit the hours of use for the public house to the core licensing hours as set out in the council's licensing policy.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (12).

Against the proposal or abstained from voting: None

766.2 Application No.CA//18/02299/FUL Eddington Park, Herne Bay Golf Club, Thanet Way, Herne Bay, CT6 7PG

Proposed four two-storey detached dwellings, detached public house and detached building for use as offices.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (12).

Against the proposal or abstained from voting: None

766.3 Application No.CA//18/02242/FUL Land North of Thanet Way, West of the roundabout, junction with Greenhill Road/Greenhill Bridge Road, Herne Bay

Proposed single-storey retail unit (2,125 sq m GIA), together with parking, landscaping, open space (including paddock), and access from Thanet Way.

A proposal was put that application be **deferred** to allow consideration of:

- a draft 101 agreement including cash contributions for open space and a footpath and cycle path from the Chestfield direction,
- village green status for the small paddock
- the imposition of a no right turn and no u-turn between Greenhill roundabout and Chestifield roundabout.
- A full statement of need from the applicant

When put to a vote the proposal was DEFERRED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, D Thomas and I Thomas (10).

Against the proposal: Councillors H Taylor and R Thomas (2)

Abstained from voting: None

766.4 Application No.CA//18/00476/FUL Goose Farm, Shalloak Road, Broad Oak, Sturry, CT2 0QE

Proposed 36 industrial units with associated parking, turning and landscaping following demolition of all industrial buildings and structures.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, R Jones, Samper, D Thomas and I Thomas and R Thomas (9).

Against the proposal: Councillor H Taylor (1)

Abstained from voting: Councillors Eden-Green and Glover (2)

766.5 Application No. CA//18/02512/FUL St John Stone House, 41 St Thomas Hill, Canterbury, CT2 8HW

Proposed four-storey building containing eight apartments along with associated car-parking and landscaping, following demolition of existing building.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (12).

Against the proposal: None

Abstained from voting: Councillor H Taylor (1)

766.6 Application No. CA//18/01996/FUL 81 Spenser Road, Herne Bay, CT6 6AP

Proposed detached two-storey dwelling with formation of access following demolition of existing conservatory.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, Samper, I Thomas and R Thomas (8).

Against the proposal: Councillors Clark, R Jones, H Taylor and D Thomas (4)

Abstained from voting: None

766.7 Application No. CA//18/02579/FUL Holmbury, Church Road, Littlebourne, CT3 1UA

Proposed sub-division of existing bungalow to create two semi-detached two-story dwellings and extension to side.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (12).

Against the proposal or abstained from voting: None

766.8 Application No. CA//18/02040/FUL Port Farm Industrial Units, Island Road, Upstreet, Chislet, CT3 4DA

This application was withdrawn and not considered by the Committee.

766.9 Application No. CA//18/02014/FUL Arbele House, Chapel Lane, Blean, CT2 9HF

Application for listed building consent for erection of single-storey outbuilding for use as ancillary accommodation following demolition of existing single-storey outbuilding.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (11).

Against the proposal: None

Abstained from voting: Councillor Eden-Green (1)

766.10 Application No. CA//18/02015/LB Arbele House, Chapel Lane, Blean, CT2 9HF

Application for listed building consent for erection of single-storey outbuilding for use as ancillary accommodation following demolition of existing single-storey outbuilding.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application subject to the appropriate safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Clark, Doyle, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (11).

Against the proposal: None

Abstained from voting: Councillor Eden-Green (1)

766.11 Application no.CA//18/02540/FUL 1 Sandpiper Road, Whitstable, CT5 4DP

Proposed single-storey side and two-storey rear extension together with first-floor roof extension to provide additional accommodation in the roof space, with six roof lights, balcony to front and juliet balcony to rear.

A proposal was put that planning permission be **granted** for the development described in the above application

When put to a vote the proposal was AGREED by the Committee.

A record of the vote was taken as follows:-

For the proposal: Councillors B Baker, Baldock, Doyle, Eden-Green, Glover, R Jones, Samper, H Taylor, D Thomas, I Thomas and R Thomas (11).

Against the proposal: Councillor Clark (1)

Abstained from voting: None

767 PLANNING APPEALS - DECISIONS

The Committee received, for information, details of decisions of Planning Inspectors on planning appeals. The Head of Planning reported the decisions and they were noted by the Committee.

768 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN PUBLIC

There was no urgent business to be dealt with at the meeting.

769 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS WHICH FALLS UNDER THE EXEMPT PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 OR THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 OR BOTH

There was no urgent business to be dealt with at the meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.46 pm

With the exception of any decisions which are indicated as being urgent, the decisions of the Committee are subject to the decision review process. Broadly those decisions will only become effective three working days after they are published unless 14 Councillors have indicated that they require the decision to be reviewed.

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CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, 17th April, 2019
at 7.00 pm in The Guildhall, St Peter's Place, Canterbury**

Present: Councillor S Cook (Chairman)
Councillor Todd
Councillor Baldock
Councillor Bartley
Councillor A Cook
Councillor Dixey*
Councillor Glover
Councillor L Jones
Councillor Samper
Councillor A Taylor
Councillor Walker
Councillor Williams*

Officers: Steven Boyle - Head of Legal Services
Colin Carmichael - Chief Executive
Tricia Marshall - Deputy Chief Executive
Josie Newman - Democratic Services Manager
Richard Moore* - Head of Transportation and Environment
Douglas Rattray* - Head of Safer Neighbourhoods
Marie Royle* - Head of Housing and Community Services
Simon Thomas* - Head of Planning
Leo Whitlock - Head of Communications

(*present for part of the meeting)

814 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for lateness had been received from Councillor Dixey.

815 **SUBSTITUTE COUNCILLORS**

There were no substitutes for the meeting.

816 **DECLARATION OF ANY INTERESTS**

Councillor Williams declared a pecuniary interest in the Riverside item as he had a property nearby and so he left the meeting for that item.

The following voluntary announcements were made during the meeting:

- Councilor Williams used to play for Canterbury City Football Club (appointment of working groups)
- A number of the committee members knew a number of the public speakers (notice of motion)
- Councillor S Cook lived in Bridge Parish (Bridge neighbourhood plan)
- The Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive were members of the RSPB (Seasalter levels)

817 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were ten speakers for the meeting they were heard prior to the consideration of the item regarding the notice on motion.

818 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY 2019**

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

819 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2019**

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

820 **SEX ESTABLISHMENT POLICY**

The Head of Safer Neighbourhood introduced the report explaining that there were currently no sexual entertainment venues. The policy proposed was largely the same as existing policy.

The recommendation in the report was proposed and seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: The approval and adoption of the Sex Establishment Policy.

Reasons for the decision: It is important to have a clear policy in relation to sex establishments to enable clear and robust decision making. A clear policy will also ensure that such establishments are managed properly to promote the health and safety of the public and performers.

Record of voting:

For (11): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams

Against (0):

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (1): Councillor Dixey

821 **SCRAP METAL POLICY**

The Head of Safer Neighbourhood introduced the report seeking a readoption of the existing scrap metal policy. There had been no changes to legislation or government guidance.

The recommendation in the report was proposed and seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: The approval and adoption of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 Policy.

Reasons for the decision: The policy is an important tool to ensure that the scrap metal trade in Canterbury is compliant with statute and provides a robust and efficient service to the members of the trade and public. The policy will provide clear guidance to officers when administering the licensing regime in a clear and consistent way.

Record of voting:

For the resolution (11): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams

Against the resolution (0): None

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (1): Councillor Dixey

822 **RIVERSIDE DEVELOPMENT, CANTERBURY**

(Councillor Williams declared that he owned a property near the site and he left the meeting for the item)

The Deputy Chief Executive introduced the report which set out a technical decision about the appropriation of land under section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 so that it is held for planning purposes to support the redevelopment of land at Kingsmead and Sturry Road known as the Riverside development.

The recommendations in the report were proposed and seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED:

1. That the council approves the appropriation of land at Kingsmead/Sturry Road (shown on plan 1 appended to this report) in accordance with section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 from parking, commercial and residential purposes to planning purposes.
2. That authority be delegated to the Head of Legal to appropriate the land at Kingsmead/Sturry Road (shown on plan 1 appended to this report) in accordance with section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 for planning purposes.

3. That authority be delegated to the Head of Legal, in conjunction with the Head of Property and Regeneration, to deal with any matter arising from the operation of Section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016.

Reasons for the decision: In order to help safeguard the realisation of the significant public benefits associated with the delivery of the Riverside scheme.

Record of voting:

For the resolution (10): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker,

Against the resolution (0): None

Abstained from voting (0): None

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (2): Councillor Dixey, Williams.

823 **TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION POLICY 2018-2023**

(Councillor Williams returned to the meeting).

The Head of Housing and Community introduced the report which presented the final Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy following a period of consultation. The Community Committee had recommended adoption of the policy.

The Committee asked questions and the Head of Housing and Community gave points of clarification where necessary. Matters including the following were covered:

1. There were a number of households housed outside of the district presently as there was not enough suitable temporary accommodation within the district. There were ongoing projects designed to tackle this because it was understood that it was preferable to house people near their support networks.
2. The housing team worked with each household to produce a personalised housing plan, this covered a range of matters, including mental health and employment status.
3. The information gathered during the formation of the personalised housing plan includes income and expenditure checks, this is to ensure any nightly fee is affordable. Nightly fees are within the Local Housing Allowance range.
4. The nightly fee was applied in circumstances where the applicant was not eligible for housing benefit.

The recommendations in the report were proposed and seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: The adoption of the final Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy.

Reason for the decision: The policy sets out how the housing team would allocate temporary accommodation, and introduces new charging principles as a means of ensuring equity and recouping some of the council's unmet costs. It also seeks to ensure we meet legislative requirements and that decisions are properly evidenced and robust.

For the resolution (11): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams

Against the resolution (0): None

Abstained (0): None

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (1): Councillor Dixey

824 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING POLICY

The Head of Housing and Community introduced the report which presented the final Private Sector Housing Policy, following a period of consultation. The Community Committee had recommended that the policy be adopted.

The recommendations in the report were proposed and seconded and when put to a vote agreed.

RESOLVED: The adoption of the final Private Sector Housing Policy.

Reasons for the decision: The policy is required to inform operational practices and procedures of the team. The views and suggestions put forward through the consultation process have been considered, and have influenced the final policy where appropriate.

For the resolution (9): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker.

Against the resolution (0): None

Abstained from voting (2): Councillors Jones, Williams

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (1): Councillor Dixey

825 EQUALITIES POLICY

The Head of Corporate Governance introduced the report which set out the draft equality and diversity policy. The policy had been prepared to supplement the council's commitment made in the corporate plan 2016-2020.

The policy included objectives as required in the Equalities Act 2010, and practical steps to ensure that the council meets its responsibilities.

The Committee made comments. The recommendations in the report were proposed and seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That the draft Equality and Diversity policy is adopted.

Reasons for the decisions: We have a statutory duty to meet the requirements of the Equalities Act. By adopting this policy we will have a set of objectives by which we can demonstrate how we are meeting the Equality Duty.

For the resolution (11): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against the resolution: None

Abstained from voting: None

Absent from the meeting during the consideration of this item (1): Councillor Dixey.

(Councillor Dixey arrived at the conclusion of this item).

826 APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS AND OTHER BODIES

(Councillor Williams made a voluntary announcement that he was a former player at Canterbury City Football Club).

The Head of Corporate Governance introduced the report which dealt with the bodies already appointed and asked the Committee to make its recommendations to the new council.

The Committee discussed and in particular suggested that the next council might wish to consider setting up a working group which could work with Canterbury City Football Club.

The recommendations in the report were proposed, seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RECOMMENDED (to the new council): That the following task and finish working groups are put forward to the Annual Meeting of Council for adoption:

- Appointments to Outside Bodies Group Working Group
- Staff and Safety Joint Consultative Group
- Pay Review Board
- Review of Polling Districts and Places Task and Finish Group
- Sustainable Transport Forum
- Strategic Grants Panel
- Higher and Further Education Community Group
- Seaside Byelaws Task and Finish Group
- Youth Engagement Task and Finish Group

Reason of the decision: The working groups in the attached list are presently active or will be required in the coming year to complete a

programmed piece of work. The new Council will have the option of modifying the list as it sees fit.

For the recommendation (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against the recommendation (0): None

Abstained (0): None

827 **NOTICE OF MOTION: REDUCING CARBON EMISSIONS**

(The following speakers were heard prior to the consideration of the item; Esme Sayer, Emmanuel Thurston, Pascal Sleight, Mel Dawkins, Elizabeth Pinn, Clare Connerton, Henry Stanton on behalf of the Canterbury District Green Party, Tom Webb, Trevor Sharp and Councillor Fisher)

The Head of Planning introduced the report which set out a response to a notice of motion which had been received by the council. He outlined that the local plan which was adopted in 2017 following approval by a government appointed inspector. Central to this policy was sustainable development. He drew attention to the other policies and strategies that also took account of the council's responsibilities regarding climate change.

The motion was proposed, seconded and debated. Matters including the following were covered:

1. A number of the other authorities referred to by the public speakers were unitary authorities and so had responsibility for highways and education which had bigger influences on an area's carbon emissions.
2. Policies and strategies take a long time to be developed and adopted. The processes for doing this were very often dictated by legislation.
3. The measures outlined in the report were moves in the right direction and climate change was considered to be an important issue by the council.
4. The council could only do what was possible and within the council's powers but it had a role as a community leader to guide the behaviour of others in the district.
5. The council had made a number of decisions which were influenced by the desire to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions including around renewable energy and more intelligent car parking infrastructure.
6. It was important to understand the practical and financial implications of any attempt to be carbon neutral within a specific time frame.

7. An amendment was suggested and agreed by the original proposer that additional words be added to endorse the actions set out in the report.
8. There was concern over the suggestion that all policies and strategies be reviewed as this was very labour intensive.
9. A further amendment was proposed and seconded which altered the actions proposed. It was put to a vote and the Committee agreed to amend the proposal.

The record of the voting was as follows -

For (8): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against (2): Councillors Baldock, Dixey.

Abstained from voting (1): Councillor Todd

10. The amended proposal was then put to a vote and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That -

- (a) The council endorses the actions detailed in the report.
- (b) The Policy and Resources Committee recommends to the next council that it:
 - a. Strongly consider climate change when it formulates its corporate plan and treats it as a priority.
 - b. Work with the appropriate parties to encourage other authorities to take action to reduce their carbon emissions.
- (c) Officers prepare the following reports for the next Policy and Resources Committee meeting:
 - i. A report on the energy saving measures that the council can take to reduce its corporate carbon emissions.
 - ii. A list of policies that could be considered as part of the forthcoming review of the local plan that would improve energy efficiency and carbon neutrality of future developments.

Reasons for the decision: Climate change was a concern to a great many people and all had a role to take in reducing its impacts. The council could take responsibility for its own direct emissions of greenhouse gases and could influence others in theirs. The next council needed to consider the implications set out in the reports before deciding which action it wished to take.

For the resolution (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against or abstained from voting (0): None

828 **BRIDGE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA**

(Councillor S Cook made a voluntary declaration that he lived in Bridge Parish).

The Head of Planning introduced the report explaining that Bridge Parish Council had applied to the Council to designate a neighbourhood area, which would extend to the new Parish boundary.

The Committee discussed the matter. The recommendation in the report was proposed, seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That the whole parish of Bridge be designated as the neighbourhood area.

Reason for the decision: This is in accordance with Government guidance and to allow for a comprehensive and consistent policy approach to neighbourhood planning within the parish.

For the resolution (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against the resolution (0): None

Abstained from voting (0): None

829 **ANNUAL PAY POLICY REPORT**

The Deputy Chief Executive introduced the report explaining that the Localism Act 2011 required the council to adopt a Pay Policy each year. The Committee were asked to endorse this policy.

It was proposed, seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed that the Committee -

RECOMMENDED (to Full Council): That the Pay Policy Statement for 2019/20 be adopted.

Reasons for the decision: The Statement reflects the current structure. There have been no legislative or guidance changes that need to be reflected in the statement.

For the recommendation (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against the recommendation (0): None

Abstained (0): None

830 **ACCOUNTS TO WRITE OFF**

The Deputy Chief Executive introduced the report which outlined the debts to be written off as irrecoverable for the year 2018-19.

It was noted by the Committee that the amount was very small compared to the size of the council and thanks were passed to the debt recovery team.

It was proposed, seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed that the Committee -

RESOLVED: That the Committee notes the debts to be authorised for write off by the Deputy Chief Executive.

Reasons for the decision: The council has done everything possible to recover them without success and each year a small proportion of debts must be written off to ensure sensible budget management.

For the resolution (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker, Williams.

Against the resolution (0): None

Abstained (0): None

831 **SEASALTER LEVELS COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER**

(Councillor Williams left the meeting prior to the start of this item). (During the item the Deputy Chief Executive and the Chief Executive made a voluntary announcement that they were members of the RSPB).

Head of Transportation and Environment introduced the report. Setting out the background to the wider project following the appointment of the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) in October 2016, the report set out the next stages in the project. The financial risks were set out in the report.

The Committee discussed the report and the Deputy Chief Executive gave points of clarification where necessary.

The recommendations in the report were proposed, seconded and when put to a vote unanimously agreed -

RESOLVED:

- A. That the Council enters into an "Options Agreement for a Lease" in lieu of the revised Partnership Agreement previously approved by the P&R committee.
- B. That the Head of Legal implements the CPO by making a General Vesting Declaration on all of the Whitstable Bay Estate.
- C. That by making a General Vesting Declaration the Council accepts it will be liable to meet the full cost of CPO claims over and above the RSPB funding in accordance with the Options Agreement.

Reason for the decisions: This option would protect and enhance this internationally important land for wildlife. It is in line with previous council decisions and the CPO order and ensures that the council meets its obligations under section 28G of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. It will maximise the value of the financial resources offered by RSPB to achieve our

joint objectives, securing of the land while minimising the potential risks in respect of fly tipping and fly grazing or renewed misuse of the land resulting in the need for costly enforcement action. The reserve would be a great asset to nature and people.

For the resolution (12): Councillors Baldock, Bartley, A.Cook, S.Cook, Dixey, Glover, Jones, Samper, Taylor, Todd, Walker,
Against the resolution (0): None

832 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Provisionally 7pm Wednesday, 10 July 2019.

833 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN PUBLIC

There was no urgent business to be considered at the meeting.

834 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was not necessary to exclude the press and the public from the meeting.

835 EXEMPT ANNEX: SEASALTER LEVELS COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER

(The Committee considered the information when making its decision at minute 831.)

836 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS WHICH FALLS UNDER THE EXEMPT PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 OR THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 OR BOTH

There was no urgent business to be discussed at the meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.45 pm