

# Council

The next meeting of Thurrock Council will be held on

Wednesday 23 January 2013 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber at the Civic Offices, New Road, Grays to transact the business set out in the attached Agenda. Jash Suppo Councillor Yash Gupta MBE Mayor Graham Farrant, Chief Executive **Proper Officer** 

#### MEMBERS OF THURROCK COUNCIL

Councillor P Anderson Councillor C Baldwin Councillor L Carr Councillor M Coxshall Councillor C Curtis Councillor W Curtis Councillor A Fish (Deputy Mayor) Councillor A Gaywood Councillor O Gerrish Councillor R Gledhill Councillor S Gray Councillor Y Gupta MBE (Mayor) Councillor G Hague Councillor J Halden Councillor D Hale **Councillor M Healy** Councillor S Hebb Councillor W Herd Councillor T Hipsey Councillor V Holloway Councillor B Johnson Councillor T Kelly Councillor C Kent Councillor J Kent Councillor C Key

**Councillor A Kiely** Councillor S Liddiard Councillor S Little Councillor S MacPherson Councillor B Maney Councillor V Morris-Cook Councillor T Ojetola Councillor B Okunade **Councillor B Palmer Councillor M Pearce Councillor J Purkiss** Councillor R Ray Councillor J Redsell Councillor M Revell **Councillor B Rice** Councillor G Rice Councillor A Roast Councillor A Smith Councillor P Smith Councillor R Speight Councillor M Stone Councillor P Tolson Councillor S Wootton Councillor L Worrall

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No speech may exceed 3 minutes without the consent of the Mayor [Rule 19.8], except for the proposer of any motion who shall have 5 minutes to move that motion (except on a motion to amend where the 3 minute time shall apply) [Rule 19.8(a)]

#### All Motions will follow Section A and then either Section B or C

A. A1 Motion is moved

- A2 Mover speaks
  - A3 Seconded

A4 Seconder speaks or reserves right to speak

[Rule 19.2] [Rule 19.8(a) (5 minutes) [Rule 19.2] [Rule 19.3] (3 minutes)

Then the procedure will move to either B or C below:

	В.		С.	
IF there is an AMENDMENT (please see Rule 19.23),		If NOT amended i.e. original motion		
B1	The mover of the amendment shall speak (3 mins).	C1	Debate	
B2	The seconder of the amendment shall speak unless he or she has reserved their speech (3 mins).	C2	If the seconder of the motion has reserved their speeches, they shall then speak	
B3	THEN debate on the subject.	C3	The mover of the substantive motion shall have the final right of reply	
B4	If the seconders of the substantive motion and the amendment reserved their speeches, they shall then speak	C4	Vote on motion	
B5	The mover of the amendment shall have a right of reply			
B6	The mover of the substantive motion shall have the final right of reply			
B7	Vote on amendment			
B8	A vote shall be taken on the substantive motion, as amended if appropriate, without further debate			

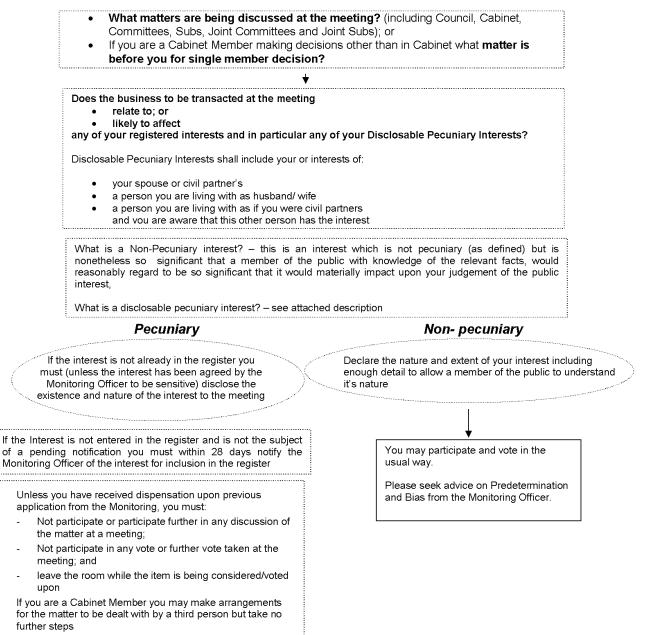
#### **DECLARING INTERESTS FLOWCHART – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF**

### Breaching those parts identified as a pecuniary interest is potentially a criminal offence

#### Helpful Reminders for Members

- Is your register of interests up to date?
- In particular have you declared to the Monitoring Officer all disclosable pecuniary interests?
- Have you checked the register to ensure that they have been transcribed correctly?

#### When should you declare an interest at a meeting?



### **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation		Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.			
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a Member in carrying out their duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of a Member. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992				
Contracts	Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—				
	(a)		ler which goods or services are to be provided or ks are to be executed; and		
	(b)	whi	ch has not been fully discharged.		
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.				
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.				
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge)—				
	(a)	(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and			
	(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.				
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where-				
	(a)	that body (to the Member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and			
	(b)	eith	er—		
		(i)	the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or		
		(ii)	if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.		

### **Our Vision for Thurrock:**

*"Thurrock*: A place of opportunity, enterprise and excellence, where individuals, communities and businesses flourish".

### **Achieving Our Vision:**

To achieve our vision, we have identified five strategic priorities:

### 1. Create a great place for learning and opportunity

- Ensure that every place of learning is rated "Good" or better
- Raise levels of aspirations and attainment so that local residents can take advantage of job
  opportunities in the local area
- Support families to give children the best possible start in life

### 2. Encourage and promote job creation and economic prosperity

- Provide the infrastructure to promote and sustain growth and prosperity
- Support local businesses and develop the skilled workforce they will require
- Work with communities to regenerate Thurrock's physical environment

### 3. Build pride, responsibility and respect to create safer communities

- Create safer welcoming communities who value diversity and respect cultural heritage
- Involve communities in shaping where they live and their quality of life
- Reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and safeguard the vulnerable

#### 4. Improve health and well-being

- Ensure people stay healthy longer, adding years to life and life to years
- Reduce inequalities in health and well-being
- Empower communities to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing

### 5. Protect and promote our clean and green environment

- Enhance access to Thurrock's river frontage, cultural assets and leisure opportunities
- Promote Thurrock's natural environment and biodiversity
- Ensure Thurrock's streets and parks and open spaces are clean and well maintained





Meeting:COUNCILDate:23 January 2013Time:7.00 pmVenue:Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Grays

### AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council, held on 28 November 2012 (page 3)
- To receive additional items that the Mayor is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972
- 4. To receive any declarations of interests from Members
- 5. To receive any announcements on behalf of the Mayor or the Leader of the Council
- 6. To answer questions from members of the public (page 25)

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution

#### 7. To receive petitions from members of the public and councillors

In accordance with the Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution

## 8. To receive an update report in respect of those petitions presented at Full Council and council offices during the previous 6 months (page 27)

## 9. Appointments to committees and outside bodies, statutory and other panels

The Mayor will inform the Council if any changes to the appointments made to committees and outside bodies, statutory and other panels, have been requested by Group Leaders.

#### **10.** Joint Appointments Committee

The report of the Head of Legal & Democratic Services is attached at page 33.

#### 11. Approval of the Council Tax Base, Collection Fund Balance and NNDR 1

The report of the Leader of the Council is attached at **page 41**.

#### 12. To receive reports from Cabinet Members

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 3) of the Council's Constitution

12.1 Report of Councillor Lynn Worrall, Cabinet Member for Transformation & Community (**page 47**)

## 13. To answer questions from Members, in the order in which they were submitted (page 51)

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution

## 14. To receive reports from Members and officers attending as the Authority's representatives on outside bodies

### 15. To receive for information the Minutes of the following committees:

Name of Committee	Date
Standards & Audit Committee	20 September 2012
Cleaner, Greener & Safer Overview & Scrutiny Committee	2 October 2012
Children's Overview & Scrutiny Committee	8 October 2012
Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee	10 October 2012
Licensing Committee	11 October 2012
Planning Committee	25 October 2012
Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	13 November 2012

## 16. To receive a motions update report on those motions resolved at Council during the previous year (page 55)

## 17. To consider motions from Members in the order in which they were submitted (page 65)

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 15) of the Council's Constitution

### ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

Scheduled Meeting Dates for the Municipal Year

2012: 20 June, 25 July, 26 September, 24 October, 28 November

2013: 23 January, 27 February, 27 March, 24 April, 22 May (Annual)

#### Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Steve Jones, Democratic Services Manager, telephone (01375) 652107or e-mail sjones@thurrock.gov.uk

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