

## East Suffolk House, Riduna Park, Station Road, Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 1RT

Full Council	Members:	All Councillors

Members are invited to a **Meeting of the Full Council** to be held in the Deben Conference Room, East Suffolk House, on **Wednesday 22 September 2021** at **6:30pm** 

This meeting is being held in person in order to comply with the Local Government Act 1972. In order to comply with East Suffolk Council's coronavirus arrangements and guidance, the number of people at this meeting will have to be restricted to only those whose attendance is reasonably necessary.

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meeting so that the meeting can be managed in a COVID secure way and the Team can endeavour to accommodate you and advise of the necessary health and safety precautions.

However, we are not able to guarantee you a space/seat and you are advised that it may be that, regrettably, we are not able to admit you to the meeting room.

An Agenda is set out below.

#### Part One - Open to the Public

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#### 1 Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence, if any.

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

Members and Officers are invited to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Local Non-Pecuniary Interests that they may have in relation to items on the Agenda and are also reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the Meeting if it becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.

#### 3 Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chairman, the Leader of the Council, members of the Cabinet, or the Chief Executive, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 5.1(e).

#### 4 Questions from the Public

No questions have been submitted by the electorate as provided by Council Procedure Rule 8.

#### **5** Questions from Members

The following questions from Members have been submitted in pursuance of Council Procedure Rule 9:

### a) Question from Councillor David Beavan to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Resources

How many "holiday let businesses" in Southwold ward were refused a Covid grant application in 2020 and 2021, and are there any outstanding investigations? Further are they still allowed to escape council tax and rates by pretending to be a genuine business? I only need headline figures and do not require any personal information that may identify them.

### b) Question from Councillor Janet Craig to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Community Health

The LGA is currently calling for a change to the Licensing Act to require operators to take public health into account in running their premises, alongside wider safety and crime issues. Councils can only currently consider four issues when deciding whether to grant licences – the prevention of crime and disorder; public safety; prevention of public nuisance; and protection of children from harm.

The LGA maintains that giving councils the powers to consider the public health impact of licensing decisions is vital to protect communities from harm, reduce NHS costs and save lives.

It wants to see the Licensing Act updated to include a public health objective and allow for action where premises fail to protect the health of their communities, Councils also need greater access to NHS data, including hospital admissions and ambulance call-out details to assist decision making.

Excessive alcohol consumption is estimated to cost the NHS £3.2 billion a year, with additional costs falling to Social Services, Police and businesses.

The proposed change to the Licensing Act would place a legal requirement on businesses to think about public health issues and give councils long-term tools to act on public health risk risks.

We are aware that this Council has twin duties, both to support local businesses with a vibrant economy and to protect our communities from harm, so what strategy is this Council implementing to monitor the impact on public health of the night-time economy in particular, as it re-opens post Covid?

### c) Question from Councillor Tess Gandy to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Resources

Given the significant number of recipients of Universal Credit across East Suffolk, what impact assessments have been undertaken, as a result of the planned cut to Universal Credit across our communities, to take into account

the reduced ability of individuals and families to pay housing costs,	including
rent, Council Tax and increasing utility bills?	

#### 6 Petitions

No petitions have been received as provided by Council Procedure Rule 10.

#### 7 Notices of Motion

No Notices of Motion have been made as provided by Council Procedure Rule 11.

## 8 Political balance and allocation of seats on Committees 2021/22 1 - 12 ES/0891

Report of the Leader of the Council

## 9 Treasury Management Outturn 2020/21 and Mid-Year 2021/22 13 - 23 Report ES/0892

Report of the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Resources

#### 10 Beccles Neighbourhood Plan ES/0882

Report of the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Planning and Coastal Management

# 11 Cabinet Members' Report and Outside Bodies Representatives' 102 - 120 Reports to Council ES/0883

Report of the Leader of the Council

#### 12 Exempt/Confidential Items

It is recommended that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

#### Part Two - Exempt/Confidential

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#### 13 Lowestoft Flood Risk Management Project - Tidal Barrier

 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

#### Close

Stephen Baker, Chief Executive

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