



Rochford District  
Council

## Meeting of Council

### agenda

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#### *Date*

**7 September 2023**

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#### *Time*

**7.30 pm**

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#### *Place*

The Mill Arts & Events Centre  
Bellingham Lane  
Rayleigh, SS9 7ED

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#### *Contact*

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The following Members are summoned to attend this meeting:-

Chairman: Cllr J L Lawmon

Vice-Chairman: Cllr Mrs S J Page

Cllr Mrs D L Belton  
Cllr N J Booth  
Cllr E L Brewer  
Cllr Mrs L A Butcher  
Cllr M R Carter  
Cllr R P Constable  
Cllr J E Cripps  
Cllr A G Cross  
Cllr D S Efde  
Cllr A H Eves  
Cllr I A Foster  
Cllr Mrs E P Gadsdon  
Cllr J N Gooding  
Cllr Mrs J R Gooding  
Cllr M Hoy  
Cllr T D Knight  
Cllr R Lambourne  
Cllr R C D Linden  
Cllr Mrs C M Mason

Cllr E O K Mason  
Cllr J R F Mason  
Cllr Mrs J E McPherson  
Cllr R Milne  
Cllr G W Myers  
Cllr J E Newport  
Cllr L J Newport  
Cllr D W Sharp  
Cllr Mrs L Shaw  
Cllr D J Sperring  
Cllr Mrs D P Squires-Coleman  
Cllr C M Stanley  
Cllr M J Steptoe  
Cllr I H Ward  
Cllr A L Williams  
Cllr S A Wilson  
Cllr Mrs V A Wilson  
Cllr S E Wootton

**The Council's residents are at the heart of everything we do.**

**The Council's priorities are:-**

- To be financially sustainable
- Early intervention
- To maximise our assets
- To enable communities

## **A G E N D A**

Emergency evacuation announcement

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PRAYERS

**1 Apologies for Absence**

**2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 June 2023**

**3 To Receive Declarations of Interest**

**4 Announcements from the Chairman, Leader or Head of Paid Service**

**5 To note the Minutes of Executive and Committee Meetings held between the period 23 May 2023 to 21 August 2023 (as listed)** 5.1

**6 Report on Urgent Decisions**

**7 The Mill Arts & Events Centre (The Mill Hall)** 7.1 – 7.13

To consider the report of the Director of Assets & Investment asking Council to formalise the end of the expressions of interest process in respect of the operation of the Mill Arts & Events Centre and to confirm clear objectives for the Centre.

**8 Exclusion of the Press and Public**

To agree that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

**9 Asset Delivery Programme**

To consider the exempt report of the Director of Assets & Investments in relation to the Council's Asset Delivery Programme.

**10 Readmittance of the Press and Public to the Meeting**

- 11 Review of the Flood Advisory Group** 11.1 – 11.7
- To consider the report of the Strategic Director seeking Council's approval to dissolve the existing Flood Advisory Group, approve new terms of reference and appoint three Members to the Working Group.
- 12 To consider any reports from the Executive and Committees to Council**
- 12(1)** Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Annual Report 12.1.1 - 12.1.22
- 12(2)** Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Treasury Management Annual Report 12.2.1 – 12.2.8
- 12(3)** Report of the Planning Policy Committee – Local Development Scheme 2023-25 12.3.1 – 12.3.18
- 12(4)** Report of the Standards Committee – Appointment of the Standards Committee Working Group 12.4.1 – 12.4.5
- 13 Verbal Update on the Constitution Working Group**
- For Council to receive a verbal update from the Deputy Leader (Executive Lead Member for Governance & Communications) on the current work of the Constitution Working Group.
- 14 Business from last Council Meeting**
- 15 Report of the Leader on the work of the Executive**
- 16 Public Questions and Member Questions on Notice**
- 17 Motions on Notice**



Jonathan Stephenson  
Chief Executive