

Extraordinary Council Meeting

**The Old Library, Town Hall, High Street,
Colchester, CO1 1PJ**

Thursday, 23 June 2022 at 18:00

Information for Members of the Public

Access to information and meetings

You have the right to attend all meetings of the Council, its Committees and Cabinet. You also have the right to see the agenda (the list of items to be discussed at a meeting), which is usually published five working days before the meeting, and minutes once they are published. Dates of the meetings are available here:

<https://colchester.cmis.uk.com/colchester/MeetingCalendar.aspx>.

Most meetings take place in public. This only changes when certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual are considered. At this point you will be told whether there are any issues to be discussed in private, if so, you will be asked to leave the meeting.

Have Your Say!

The Council welcomes contributions and representations from members of the public at most public meetings. If you would like to speak at a meeting and need to find out more, please refer to the Have Your Say! arrangements here:

<https://colchester.cmis.uk.com/colchester/HaveYourSay.aspx>.

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Access

There is wheelchair access to the Old Library from St Runwald Street. There is an induction loop in all the meeting rooms.

Facilities

Toilets, are on each floor of the Town Hall. A water dispenser is available on the first floor.

Evacuation Procedures

Evacuate the building using the nearest available exit. Make your way to the assembly area in the car park in St Runwald Street behind the Town Hall. Do not re-enter the building until the Town Hall staff advise you that it is safe to do so.

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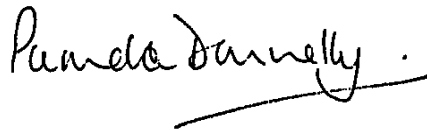
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COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL
Council
Thursday, 23 June 2022 at 18:00

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

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You are hereby summoned to attend an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on Thursday, 23 June 2022 at 18:00 for the transaction of the business stated below only.



Chief Executive

AGENDA
THE LIST OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING
(Part A - open to the public)

Please note that the business will be subject to short breaks at approximately 90 minute intervals.

Live Broadcast

Please follow this link to watch the meeting live on YouTube:

[\(107\) ColchesterCBC - YouTube](#)

Apologies

Apologies have been received from Cllrs Barton, Chuah, Harris, Luxford Vaughan and Mannion

1 Welcome and Announcements (Council)

The Mayor will welcome members of the public and Councillors and will ask the Chaplain to say a prayer. The Mayor will explain the procedures to be followed at the meeting including a reminder everyone to use microphones at all times when they are speaking, but otherwise keep microphones muted.

2 Declarations of Interest

Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the agenda about which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the item or

participating in any vote upon the item, or any other pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest.

3 **Have Your Say**

Members of the public may make representations to the meeting **on the motion below only**. This can be made either in person at the meeting or by joining the meeting remotely and addressing the Council via Zoom. Each representation may be no longer than three minutes. Members of the public wishing to address the Council remotely may register their wish to address the meeting by e-mailing democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk by 12.00 noon on the working day before the meeting date. In addition a written copy of the representation will need to be supplied for use in the event of unforeseen technical difficulties preventing participation at the meeting itself.

There is no requirement to pre register for those attending the meeting in person.

4 **Amendment of the 2022/23 Budget**

Proposer: Councillor Laws

Colchester Conservatives recognise that a majority of voters across the Borough of Colchester voted for parties who proposed to freeze the borough's proportion of council tax. Therefore, in the spirit of collaboration, we wish to provide the incoming administration with the opportunity to deliver on their key election promises. To do so, this Council resolves:

1. To amend the 2022/2023 budget so that there is no increase in council tax and it is instead frozen for this financial year. The Council now has the capability to offer council tax refunds and this is to be facilitated immediately.
2. To amend the 2022/2023 budget to provide a contribution for the hiring of a full time ecology officer.
3. To amend the 2022/2023 budget to fund the purchase of a pump for the flooding issues on the Hythe.
4. To amend the 2022/203 so that the above items are funded using unallocated reserves.

5 **Exclusion of the Public (not Scrutiny or Executive)**

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public, including the press, from the meeting so that any items containing exempt information (for example confidential personal, financial or legal advice), in Part B of this agenda (printed on yellow paper) can be decided. (Exempt information is defined in Section 100I and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972).

Part B
(not open to the public including the press)