

A Meeting of Waltham Abbey Town Council
is to be held in the Council Chamber,
Waltham Abbey Town Hall, at 7.30 p.m.
on Thursday 24th July 2008

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence:** To receive apologies.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** To note Members Declarations of Interest, if any.
3. **Minutes:** of;
 - I. The Annual Town Meeting held on 20th May 2008
 - II. The Special Meeting of the Council held on 22nd May 2008
 - III. The Meeting of the Council held on 22nd May 2008
 - IV. The Special Meeting of the Council held on 19th June 2008
 - V. The Special Meeting of the Council held on 17th July 2008
4. **Questions:** To answer questions from Members in pursuance of Standing Order
No. 10.
5. **Public Questions:** To consider questions from the public, if any.
6. **Minutes and Reports:**

Plans Sub-Committee	21 st May 2008
Plans Sub-Committee	4 th June 2008
Town Promotions Sub-Committee	9 th June 2008
Policy & Resources Committee	12 th June 2008
Plans Sub-Committee	18 th June 2008
Town Plan/Market Town Steering Group Sub-Committee	19 th June 2008
Establishment Review Sub-Committee	30 th June 2008
Plans Sub-Committee	3 rd July 2008
Leisure & Community Committee	3 rd July 2008
Development & Environment Committee	3 rd July 2008
Policy & Resources Committee	10 th July 2008
T.I.C. Management Sub-Committee	14 th July 2008
Town Twinning Sub-Committee	14 th July 2008
Licensed Bars & Catering Sub-Committee	14 th July 2008
Plans Sub-Committee	17 th July 2008
7. **Appointment of Representatives on Other Organisations:** Current representation is set out at Appendix "A" to this Agenda.

8. **Motions:** In pursuance of Standing Order No. 8.

1. The Mayor to move as follows;

That in view of the concerns of local business proprietors and the lack of support for the Chamber of Commerce, the remit of the Development and Environment Committee is extended by the addition of the following;

- a) To support the Waltham Abbey business community and to influence local and national decision makers in shaping policy to create the best environment for business within the Town, and
- b) To co-opt onto the Development and Environment Committee a representative of the local business community.

II. The Mayor to move as follows;

That from 25th July 2008 until the date of the next ordinary meeting of the Council, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Leader of Council, Minority Group Leader and the appropriate Committee Chairman in consultation with the Town Clerk be empowered to take any urgent action and to instruct the Town Clerk accordingly.

9. **Mayor's Announcements, Correspondence and Engagements:**

- a) Announcements which the Mayor may wish to make.
- b) Correspondence which the Mayor may wish to place before Members.
- c) Engagements which the Mayor or Deputy Mayor will attend.

10. **Report of the Town Clerk:** Herewith.

11. **Any Other Items for Discussion:** Items which the Mayor may allow for discussion only.

12. **Exclusion of Press and Public:** It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted as listed below, it is advisable in the public interest that the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

13. **Minutes – Part B:**

14. **Minutes and Reports – Part B:**

15. **Ninefields Community Centre:**

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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

1. **Appreciation:** Letters of appreciation have been received from;
 - I. Waltham Abbey Community Association Day Centre in respect of Grant Aid. (Encl. R1).
 - II. Cruse Bereavement Care (Epping Forest Branch) in respect of Grant Aid. (Encl. R2).
 - III. 3rd Waltham Abbey Scout Group in respect of Grant Aid. (Encl. R3).

2. **Control of Lap Dancing Establishments:** Epping Forest District Council has been asked to advise the Department of Culture, Media and Sport of their view on what additional powers they think they need as a local authority to control Lap Dancing Clubs. District Council would like the views of Town Council Members on this issue. A copy of the letter from EFDC is enclosed together with the letter from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport. (Encl. R4 and R4A).

3. **Order of Extinguishment of Footpath 42:** Correspondence has been received from Dundas and Wilson LLP acting for the Environment Agency in the matter of obtaining an Extinguishment Order on Footpath 42. The purpose of the Order is to facilitate the construction of the Cobbins Brook Flood Alleviation Scheme. An alternative route will be created and is shown on map 2. Do Members wish to make comment on this proposal? A copy of the correspondence, the Notice, the Order and maps are enclosed for information.(Encl. R5).

4. **Election Dates 2009:** A consultation paper has been received from NALC advising that the Department of Communities and Local Government is seeking the views of local councils on a proposal to move the date of local elections from 7th May 2009 to 4th June 2009 so that they take place on the same day as the European Parliamentary elections. A copy of the paper is enclosed and Members views are specifically sought on the issues set out on page 2. The consultation closes on 11th August 2008. (Encl. R6).

5. **NALC – Report of the Chief Executive:** The June 2008 report of the NALC Chief Executive is enclosed for Members information. (Encl. R7).

6. **NALC Briefing – Empowerment White Paper:** A copy of the NALC Briefing on the Empowerment White Paper – Communities in Control, is enclosed for Members information. (Encl. R8).

7. **Essex County Council- Service for Adults:** A copy of a letter from Essex County Council to District and Borough Councils setting out proposals for transformation of County in house provided services for adults is enclosed for Members information. (Encl. R9).

8. **Status List:** A copy of the Status List is enclosed. (Encl. R10).

Richard James
Town Clerk
18th July 2008