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Agenda

Name of meeting	FULL COUNCIL
Date	WEDNESDAY, 29 JULY 2009
Time	6.00 PM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Members of the Committee	All Members of the Council

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PRAYERS led by the Revd James Buckett.

1. Minutes

To approve as a correct record and to sign the Minutes of the meeting of Annual Council held on [17 June 2009](#). (Paper A)

2. [Declarations of Interest](#)

To invite Members to declare any interest they might have in the matters on the agenda.

3. To deal with any questions from members of the public.

Questions may be asked without notice but to guarantee a full reply at the meeting, the question must be delivered in writing or by electronic mail to Committee Services no later than 6.00 pm on Monday, 27 July 2009.

4. Chairman's report, official announcements, communications and correspondence for the Council.



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5. Motion submitted under Procedure Rule 16 (1) of the Council's Constitution signed by Cllrs Peter Bingham, Edward Giles, John Hobart, Julie Jones-Evans, Roger Mazillius, David Pugh, Susan Scoccia, David Whittaker, David Williams

That the decision of the full Council taken on 17 June 2009, Minute 9 (b) be rescinded insofar as it relates to the following appointments :

- (i) Councillor David Whittaker as Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel for Adult Social Care, Health and Housing.
- (ii) Councillor Margaret Webster as Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel for Fire and Community Safety.

and the following appointments be made :

- (i) Councillor David Whittaker as Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel for Fire and Community Safety.
- (ii) Councillor Margaret Webster as Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel for Adult Social Care, Health and Housing.

6. Motions submitted under Procedure Rule 10 of the Council's Constitution

(a) By Cllr Edward Giles:

- (i) The Council reaffirms that it expects service frequency and reliability from the cross Solent ferry companies at fair prices for all users.
- (ii) The Council notes that the Office of Fair Trading ("OFT") has recently indicated that it is minded not to make a market investigation reference to the Competition Commission in respect of the cross Solent ferries notwithstanding its findings of features which prevent, restrict or distort competition. The Council believes that there are other factors to which the OFT should have regard including those relating to transparency in pricing.
- (iii) Accordingly the Council resolves to urge the OFT to review its initial assessment and to exercise its discretion to make a reference so that the Competition Commission may undertake a detailed investigation to establish if the ferry companies are providing proper service frequency and reliability for a lifeline service at a fair price for all users.
- (iv) The Council records its concern at recent developments which could affect the vital Yarmouth to Lymington route the efficient operation of which is essential not only to the economic well-being of the Island but also that of Lymington and its environs. The Council therefore resolves to request the Leader and the appropriate Officers to enter into discussions with their counterparts in the relevant mainland authorities to ensure that early action is taken to remove the threats to the efficient operation of this service.

- (v) The Council records its concern at the failure of Wightlink to organise the marshalling of traffic at its Fishbourne terminal so as to prevent unacceptable congestion on the public highway and calls upon Wightlink to take all necessary steps to ensure that this situation is remedied without delay.

(b) By Cllr Geoff Lumley:

In the light of the devastating loss of 600+ jobs at the local Vestas plant, the IW Council supports the view of the Island's MP that "it is important that public money is invested in businesses that are firmly rooted in local economies" and will work proactively to make that aspiration a reality in the future.

In the meantime and in the face of the current Vestas situation, the IW Council will exert whatever pressure it can to get the Government to bring the Vestas plant into public ownership as a way of not only saving the 600+ local jobs, but also of promoting its own policies to expand renewable energy sources, including wind power.

7. Items deferred from the last Council meeting:

(a) Constitutional Matters and Outside Bodies. ([Paper B](#))

To consider a report regarding constitutional changes and appointments to Outside Bodies.

8. CABINET:

Cabinet Members and the Chairman of Scrutiny to present a written report, and answer written and oral questions on budget or policy:

- (i) Leader and Cabinet Member for Governance and School Improvement (Cllr David Pugh)
- (ii) Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economy, Tourism, Leisure and Planning (Cllr George Brown)
- (iii) Cabinet Member for Children, Social Care, Health and Housing (Cllr Dawn Cousins)
- (iv) Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport (Cllr Edward Giles)
- (v) Cabinet Member for Fire and Community Safety (Cllr Barry Abraham)
- (vi) Cabinet Member for Major Projects, Customer Service and Communications (Cllr Tim Hunter-Henderson)
- (vii) Cabinet Member for Resources (Cllr Peter Bingham)
- (viii) Chair of Scrutiny (Cllr Vanessa Churchman)

To guarantee a full reply Members must submit a question in writing or by electronic mail to Committee Services no later than 6.00 pm on Tuesday, 28 July 2009. A further period of 10 Minutes will be allowed for oral questions to each Cabinet Member.