

# LUTON



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To: All Members of the Council

27<sup>th</sup> October 2008

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of LUTON BOROUGH COUNCIL to be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, LUTON on

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 6.00 p.m.

for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the Agenda below.

Yours sincerely



Kevin Crompton  
Chief Executive

## AGENDA No. 8/08

### 1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2008 as set out on pages 228 to 232.

**2. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**3. PRESENTATIONS BY AND ON BEHALF OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CHILDREN'S PANEL:**

**1. THE CHILDREN'S PLEDGE**

**2. CORPORATE PARENTING STATEMENT**

**4. CORRECTION SHEET**

The Mayor to refer to any correction sheet circulated at the meeting.

**5. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 7.1**

To consider any questions submitted in accordance with Standing Order 7.1.

[Any unfinished business under this item will be dealt with at Agenda Item 16]

**6. BEDFORDSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY: QUESTIONS**

A representative of the Bedfordshire Police Authority to answer any questions submitted under Standing Order 15.1.

**7. REPORT OF THE BEDFORDSHIRE AND LUTON COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY**

To consider the report of the Bedfordshire and Luton Combined Fire Authority as set out on pages 233 to 238.

**8. BEDFORDSHIRE AND LUTON COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY: QUESTIONS**

A representative of the Bedfordshire and Luton Combined Fire Authority to answer any questions submitted under Standing Order 15.1.

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**9. QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE LEADER**

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| <p><b>1.</b> Quarterly Report Under Standing Order 42 –<br/>Decisions Taken By The Executive Under the Special<br/>Urgency Provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive<br/>Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England)<br/>Regulations 2000.</p> | <p>239 to 240</p> |
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**10. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2008**

1. To consider any recommendations arising out of the meeting of the Executive.

**11. RECOMMENDATIONS OF ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

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| 1. | Scheme of Delegation to Officers (Non-Executive Functions)             | 241 to 262 |
| 2. | Revision of the Council's Contracts Procedure Rules                    | 263 to 273 |
| 3. | Post of Head of Strategic Planning, Policy and Performance Management. | 274 to 275 |

**12. RECOMMENDATION OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

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| 1. | 118 Morgan Close | (To Follow) |
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**13. RECOMMENDATION OF SCRUTINY BOARD**

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| 1. | Proposed Scrutiny Committee Remits and Constitution | 276 to 277 |
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**14. RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE**

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| 1. | Proposed Scrutiny Committee Remits and Constitution | 278 to 286 |
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**15. NOTICE OF MOTION**

1. To consider the following motion of which notice has been given in accordance with Standing Order 13.1 signed by Councillor Garrett

Earlier this year a Congestion Working Party was set up. This met on a number of occasions and made an number of recommendations which were subsequently approved by the Executive. None of these have since been implemented. This Council requests the Executive to now instruct the Chief Executive to take steps to have these recommendations implemented in full, as soon as practicable.

2. To consider the following motion of which notice has been given in accordance with Standing Order 13.1 signed by Councillor Strange

That Luton Borough Council

(i) notes that, in common with other local authorities and their communities, Luton Borough Council and the people of Luton know best how to improve our local area and solve local problems and so are best placed to determine how to promote a thriving community in our town; and so

(ii) supports the bottom up process in the Sustainable Communities Act designed to allow local authorities and their communities to drive the help and assistance that central government gives to promote thriving, sustainable communities;

(iii) notes that the Act gives local authorities the power to

- make proposals to government on the action and assistance government must take or give to promote sustainable communities, and
- argue for a transfer of public money and function from central to local control;

(iv) notes that the Act defines the sustainable communities broadly, that definition having the 4 aspects of

- the improvement of the local economy,
- protection of the environment,
- promotion of social inclusion, and
- participation in civic and political activity;

(v) notes that reasons for a local authority choosing to use the Act include gaining new assistance from government, determining that assistance, being able to argue for transfers of public monies from central to local control and involving citizens in democracy.

(vi) notes that the formal invitation to Local Authorities to submit proposals under the Sustainable Communities Act 2007 was issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government on the 14 October.

(vii) requests the Executive to respond to that invitation, subject to compliance with the requirement to establish or recognise a panel of representatives of local people under the Sustainable Communities Regulations 2008, by

- establishing an all party process to prepare proposals from Luton Borough Council on how central government can help
- reaching a consensus across the Council on what those proposals should be
- consulting with the other local authorities in Bedfordshire on the possibility of submitting joint proposals
- submitting our agreed proposals to the “selector”, the Local Government Association, by the 31 July 2009 deadline

(viii) further resolves

- to inform the local media of this decision;
- to write to local MPs, informing them of this decision

**16. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 7.1**

To deal with any unfinished business left over from Agenda Item 5 above.