# COUNCIL BULLETIN

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### **PART A - FORWARD DIARY**

### **Key to abbreviations:**

СС	Council Chamber	Cab Off	Cabinet Office
CR1	Committee Room 1	CONF	Conference Room (1st floor)
CR2	Committee Room 2	CH OFF	Chairman of Council's Office
MR	Members' Room	TR RM	Training Room
TBD	To be decided	HEM	Hemnall Street
TBN	To be noted	нн	Offices. Homefield House
ТВС	To be confirmed	VM	Virtual Meeting
DPCC	Debden Park Community Centre	NWA	North Weald Airfield

Other venues are shown in full.

Currently meetings are subject to change, postponement or cancellation.

Many meetings will be held virtually but Democratic Services will advise arrangements for individual meetings.

## Week One: 1 February 2021 – 7 February 2021

Monday 1 February			
Tuesday 2 February	10.00am 7.00pm	Licensing Sub-Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Wednesday 3 February	7.00pm	Area Planning Sub-Committee East	
Thursday 4 February			
Friday 5 February			
Saturday 6 February			
Sunday 7 February			

### **Week Two: 8 February 2021 – 14 February 2021**

Monday 8 February	7.00pm	Extraordinary Council	
Tuesday 9 February	6.00pm	All Member Briefing – Qualis Investment Strategy	
Wednesday 10 February	7.00pm	Area Planning Sub-Committee West	
Thursday 11 February	7.00pm	Cabinet	
Friday 12 February			
Saturday 13 February			
Sunday 14 February			

### Week Three: 15 February 2021 – 21 February 2021

Monday 15 February			
Tuesday 16 February			
Wednesday 17 February			
Thursday 18 February	6.00pm	All Member Briefing - Local Plan and Climate Change Action Plan	
Friday 19 February			
Saturday 20 February			
Sunday 21 February			

## **Week Four: 22 February 2021 – 28 February 2021**

Monday 22 February			
Tuesday 23 February	6.00pm 7.00pm	Executive Briefing District Development Management Committee	
Wednesday 24 February	7.00pm	Area Plans Sub-Committee South	
Thursday 25 February	7.00pm	Council	
Friday 26 February			
Saturday 27 February			
Sunday 28 February			

### PART B - ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

### **Committee Management System**

The members' extranet facility for the Modern.Gov system is available at:

https://eppingforestextranet.moderngov.co.uk/extranet

Members may wish to save this link on their computer or mobile devices. Queries concerning login and password details for the extranet should be addressed to the Democratic Services Manager.

#### Constitution

The Council's Constitution is available at:

https://rds.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Cld=638&Info=1

Queries concerning the Constitution should be addressed to the <u>Democratic</u> Services Manager

### **ECC Highways Portal**

Up to date details of all Highways work is available at:

https://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads.aspx

### **Member Contact**

Please be aware that all Member queries should be logged using <a href="https://eppingforestdc-self.achieveservice.com/service/Member\_Contact">https://eppingforestdc-self.achieveservice.com/service/Member\_Contact</a> as this will ensure that your query or question is properly logged and chased up if you have not received a response within 5 days.

### PART C - GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1. INVITATION TO QUALIS BRIEFING

Members are invited to a meeting on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 6.00 – 7.30pm to discuss:

- 1. Qualis Purpose and Structure.
- 2. Economic Forecast (external speaker).
- 3. Development and Investment Strategy
- 4. Questions

The meeting will be held via Zoom. An outlook invitation has been emailed to you.

(Further information: Basit Mahmood <u>basit.mahmood@qualisgroup.com</u> tel: 01245 955 727)

#### 2. STRONGER COMMUNITIES SELECT COMMITTEE -TUESDAY 30 MARCH 2021

Please note the District Commander for Brentwood and Epping Forest with Essex Police, Chief Inspector Ant Alcock will be attending the next meeting of the Stronger Communities Select Committee on Tuesday 30 March 2021.

If Members have any questions they would like to submit for this meeting, could they please send them for the attention of Rebecca Perrin, to <a href="mailto:democraticservices@eppingforestdc.gov.uk">democraticservices@eppingforestdc.gov.uk</a>. The deadline for submission of questions will be Thursday 4 March 2020, although this will not precluded questions from being asked on the evening but to allow information to be collated for the response.

(Further information: R Perrin Ext 4532)

### 3. NORTH ESSEX PARKING PARTNERSHIP - EXTERNAL SCRUTINY

The Parking Partnership Group Manager, Mr Richard Walker, has accepted an invitation to attend the next meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 2 February 2021. This external scrutiny is part of the Committee's work programme for 2020/21 and the meeting is open to all Members to attend.

To ensure that this external scrutiny exercise is a constructive one with both parties gaining the maximum benefit from it, could I ask Members to let me know if there are any topics or questions that you wish to raise at the meeting so that I can brief Mr Walker beforehand.

(Further Info: Gary Woodhall ext 4470)

# 4. COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME UPDATE - 24 JANUARY 2021 (Pages 11 - 12)

Please see attached.

# 5. UPDATE ON BUSINESS SUPPORT GRANTS AND TEST & TRACE SUPPORT PAYMENTS

### **Business Support Grants:**

Having already paid out over £31million in grants to small businesses within the district and those in the retail, hospitality and leisure industries, the Government introduced further grants for these sectors at the end of October last year as the district entered Tier 2 of the Covid-19 restrictions. This was almost immediately followed by further restrictions leading to the current Tier 5 national lockdown, which resulted, at one point, in the council having 10 open and closed grant schemes that local businesses could apply for. Since the beginning of November 2020 the council has issued approximately £1.5million in Government grants to support businesses across the district; this work and support is ongoing.

### **Test & Trace Support Payments:**

From 28 September 2020, the Government launched the Test & Trace Support Payment Scheme designed to help stop the spread of Covid-19 by encouraging those required by law to self-isolate if testing positive for the virus and those identified as a contact of someone who has tested positive by the NHS Test & Trace scheme. To support our residents whose earnings were/are affected by staying at home and isolating for 14 days, we were asked by the Government to set up a local Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme, where eligible residents can apply to the council for a one-off Test and Trace Support Payment of £500. To date we have processed over 400 claims and made over 200 payments to those deemed eligible; this work and support is ongoing.

(Further information: Peter Freeman ext 4191)

6. INVITATION TO UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX BRIEFING (Pages 13 - 14)

Please see attached.

7. CHAIRMAN'S DIARY

None this week

### **LICENSING ACT 2003**

None this week

### **PLANNING**

### 1. Appeals Lodged

EPF/1596/20 – 6 Canterbury Close Chigwell Essex IG7 6HG - TPO/EPF/11/20 (Ref: T10) 1 x Box Elder - Fell and replace, as specified – Written reps – Robin Hellier ext. 4546

### 2. Forthcoming Planning Inquiries/Hearings -

EPF/1649/17 – White Rose Curtis Mill Lane Stapleford Abbotts RM3 1HS – Re determination appeal by new Inspector- date to be arranged.

EPF/2905/19 and EPF/0379/20 Epping Forest College Sites Redevelopment of the site to provide x 139 no. residential units in 3 buildings ranging from 3-5 storeys, car parking spaces, communal landscaped amenity areas, secure cycling parking & other associated development and

Redevelopment of the site to provide 285 residential dwellings (Use Class C3) in a series of blocks ranging from 2 to 5 storeys in height, a new Wellness Centre (Use Class D1), creation of a new public park, car parking, communal landscaped amenity areas, secure cycle parking and other associated

### 3. Enforcement Appeals

None this week

### 4. Appeal Decisions

EPF/0890/19 - Meadgate Works Meadgate Road Nazeing EN9 2PD - Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for existing hours of use of the site from 05.00am-12.00am Monday to Saturday - Dismissed

### 5. Tree Preservation Orders

None this week

#### 6. S106 Agreements

None this week

#### 7. Changes to Planning Systems

None this week

### PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISIONS

The notification of decisions taken by individual Portfolio Holders is no longer included in the Council Bulletin.

All members of the Council receive automatic email notification of the publication of each individual Portfolio Holder decision and the call-in period for each decision commences immediately. Members wishing to call-in a decision should complete the attached call-in form and return it to Democratic Services before the expiry of five working days following the publication date of the decision. Members should refer to the Constitution (Article 6 - Overview and Scrutiny) for the rules of call-in.