



## Summons to Meeting

Tuesday 17 September 2019

# Council

Wednesday 25 September 2019, 7.00 pm

Council Chamber - Allerdale House, Workington

### Membership:

Councillor Hilary Harrington (Chair)  
Councillor Tony Annison  
Councillor Mary Bainbridge  
Councillor Herbert Briggs  
Councillor Nicky Cockburn  
Councillor John Cook  
Councillor Allan Daniels  
Councillor Janet Farebrother  
Councillor Peter Gaston  
Councillor Iain Greaney  
Councillor Alan Hedworth  
Councillor Joe Holliday  
Councillor Mark Jenkinson  
Councillor George Kemp  
Councillor Janet King  
Councillor Sally Lansbury  
Councillor Michael Little  
Councillor Elaine Lynch  
Councillor Anthony Markley  
Councillor Carni McCarron-Holmes  
Councillor Alan Pitcher  
Councillor Blain Sansom  
Councillor Andrew Semple  
Councillor Stephen Stoddart  
Councillor Will Wilkinson

Councillor Carole Armstrong  
Councillor Carmel Bell  
Councillor Markus Campbell-Savours  
Councillor John Colhoun  
Councillor John Crouch  
Councillor Joan Ellis  
Councillor Marion Fitzgerald  
Councillor Malcolm Grainger  
Councillor Michael Heaslip  
Councillor Vaughan Hodgson  
Councillor Daniel Horsley  
Councillor Mike Johnson  
Councillor Peter Kendall  
Councillor Adrian Kirkbride  
Councillor Jim Lister  
Councillor Peter Little  
Councillor Louise Maguire  
Councillor Owen Martin  
Councillor Ron Munby MBE  
Councillor Joe Sandwith  
Councillor Paul Scott  
Councillor Alan Smith  
Councillor Alan Tyson  
Councillor Lynda Williams

***Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting. If you have any questions or queries contact Gayle Roach on 01900 702502.***



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# Agenda

## 1. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 July 2019.

## 2. Apologies for Absence

## 3. Declaration of Interests

Councillors/Staff to give notice of any disclosable pecuniary interest, other registrable interest or any other interest and the nature of that interest relating to any item on the agenda in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct.

## 4. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider whether there are any items on the agenda for which the press and public should be excluded.

## 5. Questions and Petitions

To answer questions under Procedural Rule No. 4.16 from members of the public and from Councillors under Procedural Rule No. 4.17.2 and to receive Petitions under Access to Information Rules.

## 6. Notices of Motion

Councillor Sally Lansbury submitted the following Motion –

‘Extreme weather events over the last few years have presented severe challenges to property, transport, agriculture and other services in the Allerdale Borough Council area and have led to the deaths and displacement of thousands of people worldwide. The MET Office clearly states that these kind of extreme weather events are significantly more likely on a planet with human-caused climate change.

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 1.5C report, published in October 2018, humanity has 11 years for “ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector, indigenous peoples and local communities” to deliver the “rapid and far reaching transitions in land, energy, industry, buildings, transport, and cities” needed to turn this around, so we can avoid reaching tipping points where we would no longer have the ability to avoid extreme weather events. Business as usual is clearly no longer an option.

Bold climate action can deliver economic benefits in terms of new jobs, economic savings and market opportunities, as well as improved well-being for people locally and worldwide.

A rapidly growing number of Parish, Town, City & District Councils, together with the Mayor of London, have passed motions declaring a ‘Climate Emergency’. A number of Local Authorities have also signed up to the UK100 Agreement, pledging to achieve 100% ‘clean energy’ usage by 2050 in their region. But the recent IPCC report shows it is imperative that this target is reached much sooner.

Allerdale Borough Council is committed to reducing carbon emissions, both as an organisation and as the Local Planning Authority and resolves to go further than the UK100 Agreement and to act in line with the scientific consensus that we must reduce emissions to net zero by 2030, and therefore commits to:

- Work with partners in local sustainability organisations and Parish, Town and County Councils to help to deliver this goal through strategies, plans and shared resources
- Work with relevant officers to divest from fossil fuels and to invest in ethical funds
- Pledge to make Allerdale carbon neutral by 2030
- Call on Government to provide the policy changes & funding to make the 2030 deadline possible
- Report to full Council with the actions the council will take to address this emergency, within six months, in time for their recommendations to be funded in the next budget cycle
- Establish an ethical procurement framework to ensure suppliers reduce their carbon footprint

And to take the following actions:

- Ensure that political and chief officer leadership teams embed this work in all areas of the Council Plan and take responsibility for reducing, as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from the Council's activities, ensuring that any recommendations are fully costed and that the Executive and Scrutiny functions review council activities taking account of production and consumption emissions and produce an action plan within 6 months, together with budget actions and a measured baseline;
- Request that Scrutiny consider the impact of climate change and the environment when reviewing Council policies and strategies;
- Work with, influence and inspire partners across the district, county and region to help deliver this goal through all relevant strategies, plans and shared resources by developing a series of meetings, events and partner workshops;
- Set up an Allerdale Partnership Climate Change group, drawing on expertise from Councillors, residents, young citizens, climate science and solutions experts, businesses, skills providers, Cumbria Action for Sustainability, Sustainable Keswick and Riversmeet and other relevant parties. The Group will consider strategies and actions being developed by the Council and other partner organisations and develop a city wide strategy in line with a target of net zero emissions by 2030, engaging other anchor institutions and SMEs. It will also recommend ways to maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as employment, health, agriculture, transport and the economy;
- Request that the Council and partners take steps to proactively include young people in the process, ensuring that they have a voice in shaping the future;

- Review the Council's Investment Strategy to give due consideration to Climate Change targets in the Investment portfolio whilst also ensuring the security of principal, portfolio liquidity and return on investment. Request a report within 6 months from the Head of Financial Services on investment strategies of any financial institutions where council funds are or could be held;
- Ensure that all reports in preparation for the 2020/21 budget cycle and Investment Strategy will take into account the actions the council will take to address this emergency;
- Add the voice of Allerdale Borough Council to the calls on the UK Government to provide the powers, resources and help with funding to make this possible;
- In recognition of the seriousness of the financial constraints that the Council faces, and the expectation that both the development and implementation of many measures above are likely to be contingent on securing significant additional extra funding, that the Borough's local MPs be called upon to ensure that Central government provides the powers, resources and funding to make this possible, and that Council writes to them to seek their commitments;
- Consider other actions that could be recommended (but are not restricted to): low carbon energy production and storage, providing electric vehicle infrastructure and encouraging the use of electric vehicles within the fleet, workforce and wider community, integrating low carbon technologies into operational assets and projects, increasing the efficiency of buildings, prioritising these measures for housing to address fuel poverty; proactively using our local planning powers to accelerate the delivery of net carbon new developments and communities, coordinating a series of information and training events to raise awareness and share good practice;
- Where needed, officer reports to the Council Executive and Full Council contain impact assessments on Climate Change that include Carbon Emission Appraisals, including presenting alternative approaches which reduce carbon emissions where possible.'

Councillor Paul Scott submitted the following Motion –

'I would like to propose that Allerdale Borough Council acknowledge the performance of one of its own. Ben Stokes has worked tirelessly in his career and put Cockermonth on the map with his dedication and commitment.

Ben Stokes is the son of Gerard and Deborah Stokes and moved to England at the age of 12 after his father was appointed head coach of Workington Town Rugby League club. Ben grew up in Cockermonth and attended Cockermonth School, playing cricket for Cockermonth Cricket Club. He won the North Lancashire & Cumbria Cricket League Premier Division Title with the club as a 15 year old in 2006. Ben Stokes holds the following list of achievements;

- Second-fastest Test double hundred in terms of balls faced

- Fastest 250 in Tests for which he took 196 balls
- Second highest number of sixes in a Test innings – 11 sixes
- Most runs in a Test innings at the sixth position – 258 runs
- Most runs in the first session of a day in Tests – 130 runs
- Highest Test partnership for the sixth wicket
- Man of the Final in Cricket World Cup – 2019

More so with his performance in the second innings of the present Ashes series, Ben secured the 3rd test for England with a workman like batting performance and again secured player of the match.

I firmly believe 2019 belongs to Ben Stokes and to acknowledge this and all of his achievements I call an extraordinary meeting of Council to award him the position of Freeman of our Borough.'

## **7. Councillor Speeches**

To hear speeches (not exceeding 5 minutes each), for up to a specified period of 15 minutes, from individual members on a local issue in the Member's Ward, of which 24 hours' notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

## **8. Announcements from the Mayor, Leader or Head of Paid Service (Pages 7 - 10)**

## **9. Portfolio Holder Reports (Pages 11 - 22)**

To consider reports from Members of the Executive.

## **10. Executive Minutes (Pages 23 - 30)**

To note the contents of the minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 28 June and 6 August 2019.

## **11. Reference from Audit Committee 12 September 2019 - Treasury Management Operation Annual Report 2018/19 (Pages 31 - 58)**

## **12. Governance Review (Pages 59 - 70)**

## **13. Appointment of an Independent Person for Standards (Pages 71 - 74)**

## **14. Community Governance Reviews (Pages 75 - 88)**

## **15. Update from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Pages 89 - 92)**

## **16. Waiver of six month councillor attendance rule (section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972) (Pages 93 - 96)**



**Chief Executive**

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**Date of Next Meeting:**

**Wednesday 11 December 2019, 7.00 pm  
Allerdale House, Workington**