

ANNUAL COUNCIL

Annual Council will be held on **Tuesday, 28th July, 2020 at 2.15 pm**. This will be a virtual meeting and you can attend the meeting via the following link

<https://m.youtube.com/user/TeignbridgeDC/videos>

PHIL SHEARS
Managing Director

Membership:

Councillors Austen, Bradford, Bullivant, Clarence, Colclough, Connett, Cook, D Cox, H Cox, Daws, Dewhirst, Eden, Evans, Foden, Goodman-Bradbury, Gribble, Haines, Hayes, Hocking, G Hook, J Hook, Jeffery, Jeffries, Jenks, Keeling (Chairman), Kerswell, MacGregor, Morgan, Mullone, Nutley, Nuttall, Orme, Parker-Khan, Parker, Patch, Peart, J Petherick (Vice-Chairman), L Petherick, Phipps, Purser, Rollason, Russell, Swain, Taylor, Thorne, Tume and Wrigley

Please Note: The meeting will be live streamed with the exception where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of the media and public.

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Minutes** (Pages 7 - 10)
To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the previous Council meeting.
3. **Declarations of interest**
4. **Election of Chairman of the Council 2020/21**
The Retiring Chairman will seek nominations.

5. **Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council 2020/21**

The new Chairman will seek nominations.

Recommendations from Committees (2019/20) to Full Council

6. **Recommendation from Regulatory and Appeals Committee**

The Committee Chairman (2019/20) will present the recommendation from the [Regulatory & Appeals Committee 4 March 2020](#).

RECOMMENDED to Council:-

- (a) Appeals on personnel issues where the Council's internal procedure gives an employee a right of appeal, be delegated to the Managing Director (Head of Paid Service) and dealt with as outlined in the report ([Staff Appeals Procedure -minute 14](#)) paragraph 4.1; and
- (b) The Council's Constitution and associated staff Discipline, Capability, Redundancy and Grievance policies / procedures be amended accordingly.

7. **Recommendations from Standards Committee**

The Committee Chairman (2019/20) will present the recommendations from the [Standards Committee 26 February 2020](#)

RECOMMENDED to Council:

- (a) the TALC nominee – Mr John May – the second parish co-opted member be appointed for a period of six months;
- (b) the requirement that “*All Members must attend standards training as required by the Monitoring Officer*” be added to the general Obligations within the Members' Code of Conduct; and
- (c) the requirement that “*you should give respect if you want to receive it*” be added to the Members' Code of Conduct.

8. **Recommendation from Strata Joint Executive Committee**

The [Strata Joint Executive Committee 16 June 2020](#) asked each of the three member Councils to formally ratify the Strata Business Plan for 2020/21 and beyond.

RECOMMENDED that Teignbridge District Council approve the Strata Business Plan for 2020/21 and beyond.

9. **Second report of the Constitution Working Group** (Pages 11 - 30)

The Leader will present the recommendations of the Working Group and his further recommendations.

10. **Committee Appointments and Political Balance**

Subject to the recommendations in Agenda Item 10, to allocate committee seats for 2020/21.

In accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Political Composition of the groups is as below:-

Liberal Democrat Group	24 Seats
Conservative Group	12 Seats
Independent Group	8 Seats
Newton Says No	3 Seats
Total Seats	47

Option A – status quo:-

Committee	Total Seats	Lib Dems	Cons	Inds	NSN
Overview & Scrutiny	30	15	8	5	2
Planning	21	11	5	4	1
Licensing Act 2003	10	5	2	2	1
Regulatory & Appeals	6	3	2	1	0
Audit Scrutiny	8	4	2	1	1
Standards	6	3	2	1	0
Strata Scrutiny	3	2	1	0	0
Total	84	46	22	11	5

Option B – Change to merge Licencing Act Committee 2003 and Regulatory & Appeal Committee only to form **Licensing and Regulatory Committee** of 11 Members - all other Committees to remain as status quo:-

Committee	Total Seats	Lib Dems	Cons	Inds	NSN
Overview & Scrutiny	30	15	8	5	2
Planning	21	11	5	4	1
Licensing & Regulatory	11	5	3	2	1
Audit Scrutiny	8	4	2	1	1
Standards	6	3	2	1	0
Strata Scrutiny	3	2	1	0	0
Total	79	40	21	13	5

Option C – Two Overview & Scrutiny Committees of 13 Members, Planning Committee reduced to 17 Members, Licensing & Regulatory Committee 11 Members (as per option B above) - all other committees remain as status quo:-

Committee	Total Seats	Lib Dems	Cons	Inds	NSN
Overview & Scrutiny (1)	13	6	3	3	1
Overview & Scrutiny (2)	13	7	3	2	1
Planning	17	9	4	3	1
Licensing & Regulatory	11	5	3	2	1
Audit Scrutiny	8	4	2	1	1
Standards	6	3	2	1	0
Strata Scrutiny	3	2	1	0	0
Total	71	36	18	12	5

Not politically balanced:-

Name of body other than ordinary committee	Places	Lib Dems	Cons	Inds	NS N
Highways & Traffic Orders - Teignbridge	3	2	1	0	0

The 2020/21 nominations received by the Democratic Services will be reported to or otherwise made at the AGM.

11. Public Questions (if any)

Members of the public may ask questions. A maximum period of 15 minutes will be allowed with a maximum period of three minutes per questioner.

The deadline for questions is no later than 12 noon two working days before the date of the meeting.

12. Councillor Questions (if any)

Members of the Council may ask questions of the Council subject to procedural rules.

The deadline for questions is no later than three clear working days before the meeting.

13. Notices of Motion

Notice of Motion's shall be referred to the appropriate Committee meeting. The mover of the motion can outline the proposal and then it will stand adjourned. The motion may be debated to assist debate later if agreed by two-thirds of Council Members.

The following motion on equality of representation in the Teignbridge District has been presented by Cllr Jeffries and supported by Cllrs Connett, Dewhirst, Foden, Jenks, G Hook, J Hook, Goodman-Bradbury, Keeling, Macgregor, Morgan, Nutley, Nuttall, Parker, Rollason, Swain, Taylor and Wrigley. The motion will be referred to the Audit Scrutiny Committee if the Council does not debate the matter.

Background provided by Cllr Jeffries to the Motion: This notice of motion acknowledges the current situation facing underrepresented groups in Teignbridge and seeks to support the work that is taking place UK wide to tackle racism and discrimination. Statistical data shows that individuals from Black Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities are underrepresented at every level in UK society, facing issues around social and economic mobility, and educational attainment, particularly affected by implicit racial bias and institutional racism.

The Council recognises the contributions of individuals from BAME communities in society, business, and infrastructure across Teignbridge both now and historically, and will not shy away from work which seeks to remove barriers, tackle prejudice and address inequality.

Wording of Motion proposed by Cllr Jeffries: “In doing so the council calls for:

- The review of Teignbridge District Council’s Human Resources and Equalities practices and the inclusion of regular training for members and officers, to ensure the needs of underrepresented groups are met through addressing poverty and encouraging economic and social mobility:-
- [The Council to] Work with Devon County Council (DCC) to explore the prospect of making changes the curriculum to include BAME experiences, contributions, and the FACTs of History, throughout the year:-
- [The Council to] Explore the possibility of an education transformation project in conjunction with schools that creates a suite of curriculum resources specific to Teignbridge’s History:-
- [The Council to] Lobby Government to invest and resource changes to the curriculum across the UK through the support of organisations such as The Black Curriculum and via associated campaigns:-
- An advisory board [to be] put in place linked to the Equality Impact Assessment for the Covid -19 recovery plan, to connect the experiences of BAME individuals within the community with the aim of driving forward positive change:-
- [The Council to] In partnership with DCC, [to] conduct a review of street names and monuments within Teignbridge to assess where information plaques relevant to uncovering the history of Imperialism and links to slavery can be put in place as soon as possible: [and]
- [The Council to] Encourage Teignbridge organisations to contribute to diversity and social mobility through revising the Cllr Community Fund grants criteria to include (but not exclusively); *projects that contribute to addressing inequalities and raising educational attainment within underrepresented groups.*

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