



**WATFORD
BOROUGH
COUNCIL**

COUNCIL MEETING

10 July 2018

7.30 pm

Town Hall, Watford

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Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council of the Borough of Watford to be held on Tuesday, 10 July 2018 starting at 7.30 pm at the Town Hall, Watford to take into consideration and determine upon the following subjects, namely: -

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Disclosure of Interests

3. Minutes

The [minutes](#) of the meeting held on 22 May 2018 to be submitted and signed.

4. Official Announcements

5. Mayor's Report (Pages 6 - 8)

6. Questions by Members of the Council under Council Procedure Rule 10.0

7. Questions by Members of the Public under Council Procedure Rule 11.0

8. Petitions presented under Council Procedure Rule 12.0

9. Business especially brought forward by the Chairman or the Head of Paid Service which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered as a matter of urgency.

10. Re-allocation of seats on committees (Pages 9 - 11)

Report of Democratic Services Manager following by-election on 21 June 2018

11. Watford 2020 Programme (Pages 12 - 72)

Report of Head of Service Transformation

12. Neighbourhood Locality Funds (Pages 73 - 76)

Report of Committee and Scrutiny Officer, in accordance with the fund's protocol, including information about the overall budget and the types of projects the wards have supported during 2017/18.

13. Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny in Watford Borough Council 2017/18 (Pages 77 - 96)

Report of Committee and Scrutiny Officer on the work of scrutiny during the preceding year

14. Motions submitted under Council Procedure Rule 13.0 (Pages 97 - 108)

1. The following motion has been proposed by Councillor Stotesbury and seconded by Councillor Hofman

"This council notes that currently stations in Watford Borough sit in Zone 7 in the case of Watford Metropolitan Line Station, Zone 8 in the case of Watford High Street and Bushey, or in Zone 'W' in the case of Watford Junction station.

This council notes that commuters in Watford, which is 16.5 miles from their main central London terminus, pay around £1000 a year more than a commuter from Epping, which is also 16.5 miles from its central London terminus but in Zone 6.

This council notes that this is deeply unfair on Watford commuters who travel from all Watford stations, who currently have to pay more to travel the same distance into central London.

This council resolves to ask the Elected Mayor to write to TfL and the Mayor of London to ask on behalf of the council for all stations in Watford Borough to be moved into Zone 6."

2. The following motion has been proposed by Councillor Williams and is seconded by Councillor Bell

"The Council opposes Hertfordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner's proposal to become the Fire and Rescue Authority for Hertfordshire and that the Fire and Rescue Service should remain under the control and democratic accountability of Hertfordshire County Council.

The Council therefore fully supports the view taken by Hertfordshire County Council in this regard, and its Leader's submission to the Home Office dated 22nd June, 2018 (attached).

The Council therefore instructs the Elected Mayor to write to the Minister of State for Policing and the Fire Service in similar vein as the Leader of Hertfordshire County Council, highlighting that this Council opposes Hertfordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner's proposal to become the Fire and Rescue Authority for Hertfordshire."

3. The following motion has been proposed by Councillor Khan and seconded by Councillor Bell

"70 Year of the NHS

The council notes that;

This July sees the 70th anniversary of the creation of our National Health Service. It is one of this country's proudest and greatest achievements.

We cherish the way it puts people first and supports us at every stage of our lives, but we need to guarantee that it serves us for generations to come.

Over the past 8 years the Tories have starved the NHS of the resources it needs, they have allowed more and more local services to be privatised and undermined staff doing their best to care for the sick.

We note that the government has pledged to increase funding by £20billion, however we need more funding to transform our NHS to make it even better.

Our A&E is overstretched, The Hospital Trust is in financial crisis as well as the Herts Valley Clinical Commissioning Group. Cuts are being made to our local NHS services, including the inspirational Nascot Lawn centre.

One in four people now wait a week or more to see a GP. Despite all this, our NHS front line staff do a fantastic job.

The council calls on the Mayor to write to the Health Secretary and Chancellor demanding that they

- *Fully fund the NHS nationally and locally so that the cuts to our services are reversed.*
- *Finance the building of a new hospital in Watford at its current site without further delay.*
- *Protect patients and staff, ensuring the long-term sustainability of our health service.*

This council will set up a **Watford NHS covenant**, open to all residents, councillors and organisations to sign, pledging their support of the ideals of the NHS and ensuring that those who work in the NHS are treated fairly and with

respect.

- *that it meet the needs of everyone*
- *that it be free at the point of delivery*
- *that it be based on clinical need, not ability to pay”*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Manny Lewis'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'L' at the end.

Manny Lewis, Managing Director