

# **BOROUGH OF CHESTERFIELD**

You are summoned to attend a Meeting of the **Council** of the **Borough of Chesterfield** to be held in the **Auditorium, Winding Wheel, 13 Holywell Street, Chesterfield S41 7SA** on **Wednesday, 13 October 2021** at **5.00 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:-

1. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 July, 2021 (Pages 5 - 22)
2. Mayor's Communications
3. Apologies for Absence
4. Declarations of Members' and Officers' Interests relating to items on the Agenda.
5. Public Questions to the Council

To receive questions from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order No. 12.

## **Question submitted by Luke Povey:**

We understand from the Assistant Director that Quarterbridge were chosen because they were the cheapest option. This was amongst other reasons. In choosing a cheap option, you also chose a company that specialises in clearing market spaces. They replace failed markets with entertainment spaces. Chesterfield does not have a failed market. There are problems, there are days on which the market does not work and it is empty. But Quarterbridge start from the wrong assumptions. Does the Council now accept that the Vision document which was badly drafted by Quarterbridge distorted the consultation? It has given everyone the impression that this opportunity has become a risk rather than an investment in our 856 year old weekly market. Do you agree that Quarterbridge has failed us?

## **Question submitted by Jackie Youle:**

I'm a regular trader in Chesterfield on Thursday's, Saturday's and Monday's and I hold a contract with the council. On that contract is my phone number, my email and my address. Despite this I first heard about the plans via a Social Media post saying to go to the Market Hall to see four pages of the Quarterbridge report. (Many aspects of which have since been withdrawn or slated by officers). When will the Council have the honesty and decency to write to every contract holder showing them the full 57 page report that it later emerged existed? The portfolio holder seems to hold market traders in

such low regard that she didn't bother to attend the unveiling of the Vision Document. Neither has she spoken to traders about it and the Markets Consultative Committee keeps being postponed.

**Question submitted by Caroline Gleadall:**

Over the last four years a group of traders have endeavoured to make a success of the Saturday Market in New Square. This is now full most weeks and is a positive attraction to the town, yet there have been no support for promoting, sharing, or signposting this to the town. Reading the vision documents, it is clear that the standing market on New Square is being entirely scrapped to be replaced with only seasonal markets. Will the Council give a written guarantee now, that the regular weekly markets, especially those on a Thursday and Saturday will not be removed on New Square, now or in the future? Or is the Vision Document correct?

6. Petitions to Council

To receive petitions submitted under Standing Order No. 13

7. Questions to the Leader

To receive questions submitted to the Leader under Standing Order No.14

8. Treasury Management Annual Report 2020/21 and Monitoring Report 2021/22 (Pages 23 - 38)

9. Standards and Audit Committee Annual Report 2020/21 (Pages 39 - 48)

10. Vision Derbyshire – Governance / Programme Resources (Pages 49 - 118)

11. Minutes of Committee Meetings (Pages 119 - 120)

To receive for information the Minutes of the following meetings:-

- **Appeals and Regulatory Committee**
- **Licensing Committee**
- **Planning Committee**
- **Standards and Audit Committee**

12. To receive the Minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet of 20 July, 2021 and 14 September, 2021 (Pages 121 - 134)

13. To receive the Minutes of the meetings of the Joint Cabinet and

Employment and General Committee of 20 July, 2021 (Pages 135 - 138)

14. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum of 1 July, 2021 (Pages 139 - 142)
15. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee of 8 July, 2021 and 16 September, 2021 (Pages 143 - 150)
16. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee of 15 July, 2021 (Pages 151 - 156)

17. Questions under Standing Order No. 19

To receive questions from Councillors in accordance with Standing Order No.19.

18. Notice of Motion Under Standing Order No. 21

To consider the motion submitted by Councillor Callan in accordance with Standing Order No. 21:

### **Planning**

This Council believes planning works best when developers and the local community work together to shape local areas and deliver necessary new homes; and therefore calls on the Government to protect the right of communities to object to individual planning applications.

By order of the Council,



Chief Executive

Chief Executive's Unit,  
Town Hall,  
Chesterfield

5 October 2021