

| August 26th, 2025   |
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| To Each Member of Council   |
| NOTICE OF MEETING   |
| You are requested to attend a Meeting of the  |
| Mid and East Antrim Borough Council   |
| to be held on Monday, 1st September 2025 at 6:30 pm in Council Chamber, The Braid, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena and via remote access. |
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| Yours sincerely   |
| Valence Watts   |

Valerie Watts Interim Chief Executive, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

# **Agenda**

#### 1 FORMALITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# 1.1 Notice of Meeting

# 1.2 Apologies

#### 1.3 Declarations of Interest

Members and Officers are invited to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, including gifts and hospitality, they may have in respect of items on this Agenda.

# 1.4 Minutes of Council Meeting

# 1.4.1 Council Meeting held on 21 July 2025 - circulated

Not included

# 1.5 Mayor's Announcements

### 2 QUESTIONS

#### 2.1 Members

# 2.1.1 Tabled Question in the Name of Cllr A Clarke

"To ask the number, capacity and location of all HMOs in the Borough, and details of any enforcement taken in each of the past 5 years".

Answer:

#### 2.2 Public

A period of up to 15 minutes will be available to allow questions that have been submitted by members of the public who live, work or study in the Borough. Any questions not answered within the timescale will be provided with a written response.

#### 3 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

# 3.1 Audit and Scrutiny Committee held on 26 June 2025 - to follow

|     | 1 07-25 Planning Mins.pdf   | Not included      |
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| 3.3 | Corporate Resources, Policy and Governance Committee held on 28 July 2025 - circulated  1 07-25 Mins CRPG.pdf | d<br>Not included |
| 3.4 | Neighbourhoods and Communities Committee held on 29 July 2025 - circulated  © 07-25 NC Mins.pdf               | Not included      |
| 3.5 | Environment and Economy Committee held on 4 August 2025 - circulated  © 08-25 Mins E & E.pdf                  | Not included      |
| 3.6 | Audit and Scrutiny Committee held on 5 August 2025 - circulated  1 08.25 Audit Scrutiny Committee Mins.pdf    | Not included      |
| 3.7 | Personnel Committee held on 5 August 2025 - circulated  Personnel Committee Mins 05 08 2025.pdf               | Not included      |
| 3.8 | Personnel Committee held on 26 August 2025 - to follow  |                   |
| 4   | POLICY FRAMEWORK AND BUDGET   |                   |
| 5   | STRATEGIC ISSUES  |                   |
| 5.1 | Performance Self-Assessment Report 2024/25 - circulated  Self-Assessment Report 2024-25 - FC.pdf              | Not included      |
|     | Appendix 1 - Performance Self-Assessment Report 2024-25.pdf   | Not included      |
| 6   | ITEMS FOR DECISION - OPEN COUNCIL   |                   |
| 6.1 | Independent Member - circulated  Independent Member.pdf   | Not included      |

Planning Committee held on 24 July 2025 - circulated

3.2

# 6.2 Inclusion & Equality Sub-Committee Update - circulated

Inclusion & Equality Sub-Committee Update - Sept FC.pdf

Not included

Appendix 1 - Notes from Inclusion Equality Sub-Committee 18-08-25.pdf

Not included

#### 7 MOTIONS

# 7.1 Notice of Motion proposed by Cllr L Gray, seconded by Cllr M Donnelly

"This council recognises the vital role of trees in enhancing the health and well-being of people and communities, addressing climate change, and supporting biodiversity; commits to raising awareness among residents about these benefits and to actively support efforts to plant and protect the right trees in the right places and for the right reasons, ensuring that everyone can share in the benefits trees provide; and, will commit to exploring how we can educate and raise awareness of trees, the role they play in all our lives across MEA."

# 7.2 Notice of Motion proposed by Cllr A Skinner, seconded by Cllr C Harwood

"Mid and East Antrim notes the importance of farmers and rural dwellers to our society;

Recognises that farmers, agricultural workers and people living in rural communities can have lower access to cancer services due to the nature of their work and often living in isolated areas. We also recognise the impact that a cancer diagnosis can have on a family business such as a family farm, including housing, the extended family, and the welfare of livestock;

Endorses the "Nip It In The Bud" campaign delivered by the Farming Community Network in partnership with Macmillan Cancer Support and acknowledges the benefits to the rural community.

Pledges to do all we can, to raise awareness and save lives, particularly using our social media platforms, to help rural dwellers in this Council area be aware of the symptoms of cancer and to seek immediate medical advice if necessary as evidence demonstrates that early diagnosis and treatment can save lives."

#### 8 SEALING

Closed Council - In accordance with Council policy, members of the press will not be in attendance for this section of the Meeting.

#### 9 STRATEGIC ISSUES - CLOSED

#### 10 ITEMS FOR DECISION - CLOSED

# 10.1 Land at Taylors Avenue, Carrickfergus - circulated

Report - Marketing of Taylor's Avenue.pdf

Not included

| 10.3         | FY202526 – Capital Plan Budget Reallocation - circulated  FY202526 Capital Plan Budget Reallocation.pdf                                 | Not included               |  |
|--------------|---|----------------------------|--|
|              | Appendix 1 - Capital Plan 2526.pdf  | Not included               |  |
| 10.4         | Carrickfergus Amphitheatre Project Update - circulated (Appendix to follow)  Carrickergus Amphitheatre Project Update.pdf               | Not included               |  |
| 10.5         | Contract Award – Preferred Suppliers - circulated  Contract Tender Awards for T684 T695.pdf   | Not included               |  |
| 10.6         | Transfer of lands at Keeran Moss, Carrickfergus - circulated  Transfer of lands at Keeran Moss.pdf  Appendix - Lands at Keeran Moss.pdf | Not included  Not included |  |
| Open Council |   |                            |  |

10.2 Springwell Multi-Storey Car Park - to follow