

COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2020 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Jason Savage (Chairman); Councillors Albon, Ara, Ashbee, Bailey, Bambridge, J Bayford, R Bayford, Boyd, Braidwood, Coleman-Cooke, Constantine, Crittenden, Currie, Day, Dennis, Dexter, Duckworth, Cllr Everitt, Farrance, Fellows, Cllr Game, Garner, Green, Gregory, Hart, Hopkinson, Huxley, Keen, Kup, Pat Moore, Ovenden, Parsons, L Piper, Cllr Rev. S Piper, Potts, Pugh, Rawf, Rogers, Cllr Roper, Rusiecki, D Saunders, M Saunders, Scobie, Shrubbs, Taylor, Tomlinson, Towing, Whitehead, Wing, Wright and Yates

17. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Campbell, Moore, L. Piper and Scott.

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

19. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS, PLACES AND STATIONS

Councillor Duckworth presented the report and the following points were noted during the debate:

- Community buildings that could be used as polling places were in short supply in some wards such as Beacon Road and Salmestone wards.
- Mobile units were considered but the cost of mobile units was prohibitively expensive.
- Concerns were raised about parking enforcement on polling days and some polling places being 'out of area'.

Members agreed the officer's recommendation:

That, subject to a re-assessment of Pierremont Hall as soon as practicable and that Democratic Services continue to search for an alternative venue in Beacon Road, the proposals for polling districts, places and stations for future elections, as attached at Annex 2 to the report be agreed.

Meeting concluded : 7.15pm