



## Southend Confelicity Party Meeting

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Venue: Castle Pub – 7pm to 9.30pm

Present – EH/JM/LC/KL/SK/LH/HS/DS/HM

Motion	Wording	Result	Vote
12.1	Confelicity support an investigation into the closure of the Queensway underpass with a view to keeping the underpass open.	carried	LC100 KL100 SK100 LH51 HS100 DS51 JM100 EH100
12.2	Confelicity support changing the constitution of Southend Council to require any communication regarding 'calls for evidence' from central government to be in the public domain and published on the Southend Council website. Notes 1. A 'call for evidence' is formal process where the government invites the council to submit information, data, research, experiences, <b>and views</b> to help inform policy development or legislative decisions. It is often seen as an early-stage step before drafting policy or launching a formal consultation 2. This motion will ensure that secret talks between selected members of Southend Council cannot take place. It further ensures that all Southend Council members are aware of communications between Southend Council and central government.	carried	LC100 KL100 SK100 LH100 HS100 DS100 JM100 EH100
12.3	Confelicity promise to hold elections as scheduled	carried	LC100 KL100 SK100 LH100 HS100 DS100 JM100 EH100
12.4	Do you support preserving grammar school places for local children? There was much discussion around this and the motion was withdrawn. It was felt that more research on this was needed, for example, maybe the onus should be on the primary schools.	NA	

12.5	<p>Do you support a consultation to amend the existing PSPO (Southend City Centre, Seafront and Adjoining Areas) 2025 to ban certain items of clothing, such as balaclavas, masks or scarves, from being used for the purpose of crime, anti-social behaviour (ASB) or causing distress?</p> <p>Lots of discussion about 'the purpose of crime' and 'causing distress'. existing laws regarding 'breach of the peace' or similar. whether new laws will be policed general concerns about loss of civil liberty</p>	Not carried	LC abs KL0 SK100 LH100 HS40 DS0 JM abs EH30 HM100
12.6	<p>Would you support aiming towards a net zero immigration policy?</p> <p>After much discussion the motion was withdrawn. Although it was generally agreed that Southend is 'full', there needs to be more thought put into the specific motion.</p>	NA	
	Meeting Over		