

**MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT AMENDMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE BY NO LATER THAN 9.30AM ON TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2013**

**MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**A MEETING** of the **MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Tiverton on Wednesday, 27 February 2013 at 6.00 pm.

**ALL MEMBERS** of the **COUNCIL** are summoned to attend for the purposes of transacting the business specified in the Agenda which is set out below.

**[The next meeting is scheduled to be held in Tiverton on 24 April 2013 at 6.00 pm]**

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**KEVIN FINAN**  
Chief Executive

19 February 2013

**Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place**

The Reverend Dominic Doble, Assistant Curate in the United Benefice of Crediton, will lead the Council in prayer.

**AGENDA**

1. **Apologies**
2. **Minutes** - To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 12 December 2012.

The Council is reminded that only those Members present at the previous meeting should vote and, in doing so, should be influenced only by seeking to ensure that the minutes are an accurate record.

3. **Chairman's Announcements** - To receive any announcements which the Chairman of the Council may wish to make.
4. **Public Question Time** - To receive any questions relating to items on the agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.

Note: A maximum of 30 minutes is allowed for this item.

5. **Petitions** – Notification has not been received of any petitions being presented by members of the public.
6. **Notices of motion** –

(1) **Motion No. 465 (Councillor T W Snow – 7 November 2012)**

In accordance with Procedure Rule 13.4 the following Motion (which was proposed by Councillor T W Snow and seconded by Councillor F J Rosamond) was referred to the Planning Committee:-

“That Council review its planning policies so that when we have new housing development that we include an assembly hall for the use of the new houses as a asset for the community as other authorities are now doing.”

The Planning Committee at its meeting on 30 January 2013 noted that Councillor Snow would be withdrawing his proposal at the Council meeting.

(2) **Motion No. 466 (Councillor D F Pugsley – 21 November 2012)**

In accordance with Procedure Rule 13.4 the following Motion (which was proposed by Councillor D F Pugsley and seconded by Councillor Mrs N Woollatt was referred to the Planning Committee:-

"That this Council should put into practice its own published principle of working pro-actively in planning matters."

The Planning Committee at its meeting on 30 January 2013 considered this proposal and **recommends** that the Motion be rejected.

(3) **Motion No. 467 (Councillor Mrs J Roach – 2 December 2012)**

In accordance with Procedure Rule 13.4 the following Motion (which was proposed by Councillor Mrs J Roach and seconded by Councillor Mrs N Woollatt was referred to the Audit Committee:-

“This Council recognises that it has on numerous occasions acted illegally and/or in breach of its own Constitution. Council therefore resolves that from this day forward the Mid Devon District Council will act in accordance with the law and will uphold its own Constitution.”

The Audit Committee at its meeting on 15 January 2013 considered this proposal and **recommends** that the Motion be rejected.

(4) **Motion No. 468 (Councillor Mrs N Woollatt – 28 January 2013)**

To consider the following Motion of which Notice has been given pursuant to Procedure Rule 13.1:-

“The Transport Secretary, Patrick McLoughlin, has recently announced that a total of £20 million has been set aside to invest in new railway stations. Under the plans the Government will pay 75 per cent of the cost of building either completely new stations or resurrecting ones which were scrapped decades ago. Councils, train operators and developers are invited to bid for the cash.

Therefore this council resolves to contact Devon County Council to request that given the potential of 75% funding being available that they take the necessary steps to move plans forward and bid for government funds to assist in the re-opening of Cullompton railway station.”

In accordance with Procedure Rule 13.4 the Chairman of the Council has decided to allow this Motion (if Moved and Seconded) to be dealt with at this meeting.

7. **Committee Reports** (attached) - To receive and consider the reports, Minutes and recommendations of Committees as follows: -

(1) Cabinet

- 3 January 2013
- 31 January 2013
- 14 February 2013

8. **Council Tax Resolution 2013/14** – To consider a report of the Head of Finance incorporating a draft resolution (copy attached – white sheets) based on the call on the Council Tax Collection Account by the District, Town and Parish Councils, County Council, the Police Authority and the Fire Authority.

9. **Committee Reports** (attached) - To receive and consider the reports, Minutes and recommendations of Committees as follows: -

(1) Scrutiny Committee

- 14 January 2013
- 11 February 2013

(2) Audit Committee

- 15 January 2013

- (3) Managing the Environment Policy Development Group
  - 15 January 2013
- (4) Decent and Affordable Homes Policy Development Group
  - 22 January 2013
  - 12 February 2013
- (5) Community Well Being Policy Development Group
  - 29 January 2013
- (6) Planning Committee
  - 19 December 2012
  - 30 January 2013
  - 6 February 2013
  - 13 February 2013
  - 20 February 2013 (to follow)
- (7) Licensing Committee
  - 18 February 2013
- (8) Regulatory Committee
  - 18 February 2013
- 10. **Questions** - To deal with any questions raised pursuant to Procedure Rule 12 not already dealt with during the relevant Committee report.
- 11. **Appointment of Planning Committee Substitute** – It is **recommended** that Councillor Mrs J Roach be appointed as a Planning Committee substitute to fill a vacancy.
- 12. **Questions to Cabinet Members** – Cabinet Members will answer questions from Members on their Portfolios.
- 13. **Members' business** - To receive any statements made and Notice of future questions by Members.

Note: the time allowed for this item is limited to 15 minutes.



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