

Mid Devon District Council

Environment Policy Development Group

Tuesday, 11 June 2019 at 2.00 pm
Exe Room, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Next ordinary meeting
Tuesday, 6 August 2019 at 2.00 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

Membership

Cllr E J Berry
Cllr W Burke
Cllr D R Coren
Cllr B Holdman
Cllr R F Radford
Cllr R L Stanley
Cllr Miss E Wainwright
Cllr B G J Warren
Cllr J Wright

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

- 1 **Election of Chairman (The Chairman of the Council in the Chair)**
To elect a Chairman for the 2019/2020 municipal year.
- 2 **Election of Vice Chairman**
To elect a Vice Chairman for the 2019/2020 municipal year.
- 3 **Apologies and substitute Members**
To receive any apologies for absence and notices of appointment of substitute Members (if any).
- 4 **Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct**
Councillors are reminded of the requirement to declare any interest, including the type of interest, and reason for that interest, either at this stage of the meeting or as soon as they become aware of that interest.
- 5 **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.

6 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 10)

Members to consider whether to approve the minutes of the last meeting of the Group held on 5th March 2019 as a correct record.

The Group is reminded that only those members of the Group 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

7 **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.

8 **Motion 556 (Councillor N A Way - 8 April 2019)**

To consider the motion passed to the PDG from the Council (originally proposed by Cllr N A Way and seconded by Cllr J M Downes):

Mid Devon District Council has a record of environmental protection and protecting wildlife.

Council is greatly concerned by the growing trend across the country of developers using netting over hedgerows and trees at development sites to stop birds nesting and other wildlife using the hedges and trees.

This is wrong and runs against the best interests of supporting and enhancing local wildlife.

We call on all developers not to use netting in Mid Devon. Additionally, we call on Government to ban the use of netting at all sites with planning consent, those sites identified in the Local Plan and the emerging Greater Exeter Strategic Plan.

Please note: Having considered the above Motion the Policy Development Group are asked to consider whether this Motion should either be supported or rejected. This decision will be referred back to Council on 24th July 2019.

9 **Performance and Risk** (Pages 11 - 18)

To provide Members with an update on the out turn performance against the corporate plan and local service targets for 2018-2019. That the Group reviews the Performance Indicators and Risks that are outlined in the report and feeds back any areas of concern to the Cabinet.

10 **Outturn 2018-2019** (Pages 19 - 58)

To receive and **NOTE** the Outturn report for 2018-2019 from the Group Manager for Finance and the proposed recommendations to Cabinet.

11 **Update on Car Charging Points in New Developments** (Pages 59 -

64)

To receive and **NOTE** an update on the recommendation by the Group that the Council considers that developers be required to install electric car charging points in all new build properties constructed in the district.

12 **National Assistance Burial Procedure** (Pages 65 - 92)

To receive the 3 yearly review of the National Assistance Burial Procedure from the Deputy Chief Executive (S151) presented by the Group Manager for Corporate Policy and Commercial Assets.

Recommendation: That the Cabinet adopts the revised National Assistance Burial Policy that is attached as Annex A.

13 **Start Time of Meetings**

To consider the start times of meetings for the municipal year 2019-2020

14 **Identification of Items for Future Meetings**

Members are asked to note the following items have been identified for the next meeting:

Connecting the Culm Project
Play Area Safety Inspection Policy

Note: This item is limited to 10 minutes. There should be no discussion on the items raised.

Stephen Walford
Chief Executive
Monday, 3 June 2019

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