#### **Mid Devon District Council**

# **Scrutiny Committee**

Monday, 14 September 2020 at 2.15 pm Virtual meeting

Next ordinary meeting Monday, 12 October 2020 at 2.15 pm

**Important** - this meeting will be conducted and recorded by Zoom only. Please do not attend Phoenix House. The attached Protocol for Remote Meetings explains how this will work.

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# Membership

Cllr F W Letch

Cllr G Barnell

Cllr E J Berry

Cllr W Burke

Cllr L J Cruwys

Cllr Mrs C P Daw

Cllr J M Downes

Cllr Mrs S Griggs

Cllr S J Penny

Cllr R L Stanley

Cllr B G J Warren

Cllr A Wilce

#### AGENDA

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

#### 1 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

To receive any apologies for absence and notices of appointment of substitute Members (if any).

# 2 **REMOTE MEETING PROTOCOL** (Pages 5 - 10)

Members to note the remote meeting protocol.

#### 3 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

To elect a Vice Chairman for the remainder of the municipal year.

#### 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 MEMBER FORUM

An opportunity for non-Cabinet Members to raise issues.

#### 7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Members to consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on

The Committee is reminded that only those members of the Committee 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.

#### 8 DECISIONS OF THE CABINET

To consider any decisions made by the Cabinet at its last meeting that have been called-in.

#### 9 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

#### 10 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE (Pages 11 - 54)

Members to receive an update on the Planning Enforcement Service.

#### 11 **COSTS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS** (Pages 55 - 60)

To receive the costs of recent public consultations

# 12 WORKING GROUP - QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF COUNCIL REPORTS (Pages 61 - 64)

Members to discuss the creation of the Working Group to investigate the quality and quantity of council reports and agree the membership of the Working Group if approved.

# 13 **FORWARD PLAN** (*Pages 65 - 78*)

Members are asked to consider any items within the Forward Plan that they may wish to bring forward for discussion at the next meeting.

#### 14 SCRUTINY OFFICER UPDATE

#### 15 **IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Members are asked to note that the following items are already identified in the work programme for the next meeting:

- Street Scene Enforcement update
- Performance and Risk
- Viability of Council Owned Commercial property

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

Stephen Walford Chief Executive Friday, 4 September 2020

#### **Covid-19 and meetings**

The Council will be holding some meetings in the next few weeks, but these will not be in person at Phoenix House until the Covid-19 crisis eases. Instead, the meetings will be held remotely via Zoom and you will be able to join these meetings via the internet. Please see the instructions on each agenda and read the Protocol on Remote Meetings before you join.

If you want to ask a question or speak, email your full name to <a href="mailto:Committee@middevon.gov.uk">Committee@middevon.gov.uk</a> by no later than 4pm on the day before the meeting. This will ensure that your name is on the list to speak and will help us ensure that you are not missed – as you can imagine, it is easier to see and manage public speaking when everyone is physically present in the same room. Notification in this way will ensure the meeting runs as smoothly as possible.

If you require any further information please contact Carole Oliphant on: E-Mail:coliphant@middevon.gov.uk