

# Mid Devon District Council

## Cabinet

Tuesday, 31 August 2021 at 10.00 am  
Phoenix Chamber, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Next ordinary meeting  
Tuesday, 28 September 2021 at 10.00 am

**PLEASE NOTE:** this meeting will take place at Phoenix House, but members of the Public and Press can and should attend via Zoom only. Please do not attend Phoenix House without prior agreement. The attached Protocol for Hybrid Meetings explains how this will work.

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## Membership

Cllr R M Deed

Cllr R J Chesterton

Cllr Mrs C P Daw

Cllr R Evans

Cllr D J Knowles

Cllr B A Moore

Cllr C R Slade

Cllr Mrs N Woollatt

# **A G E N D A**

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

1. **Apologies**  
To receive any apologies for absence.
2. **Protocol for Hybrid Meetings (Pages 5 - 12)**  
To note the protocol for hybrid meetings.
3. **Public Question Time**  
To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
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. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 13 - 20)**  
Members to consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 3 August 2021.
6. **Housing Strategy Consultation Draft (Pages 21 - 88)**  
Following consideration of the draft Housing Strategy by the Homes Policy Development Group and the Scrutiny Committee, the following recommendations have been made:  
  
The Homes Policy Development Group at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021: have recommended to the Cabinet that the draft Housing Strategy 2021 – 2025, attached at annex 1, be approved for external and public consultation.  
  
The Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 16 August 2021 have recommended that the strategy be approved for consultation subject to:
  - Net Zero Carbon terminology be consistent throughout the strategy
  - The Project Board to only reference job titles and not named individuals
7. **Playing Pitch Strategy (Pages 89 - 196)**  
To consider a report of the Forward Planning Team Leader requesting the Cabinet to endorse the Mid Devon Playing Pitch Strategy as a technical document that can be used by the Council.

8. **Financial Monitoring**  
To receive a verbal report of the Deputy Chief Executive (S151) presenting a financial update in respect of the income and expenditure so far in the year.
9. **Update from the Cabinet Member for Continuous Improvement**  
To receive a verbal update from the Cabinet Member on progress in driving improvement in services cross the Council.
10. **Notification of Key Decisions** (*Pages 197 - 208*)  
To note the contents of the Forward Plan.
11. **3 Rivers Developments Limited Update Report** (*Pages 209 - 232*)  
To consider an update report from the Deputy Chief Executive (S151).
12. **Access to Information - Exclusion of the Press and Public**  
During discussion of the following item it may be necessary to pass the following resolution to exclude the press and public having reflected on Article 12 12.02(d) (a presumption in favour of openness) of the Constitution. This decision may be required because consideration of this matter in public may disclose information falling within one of the descriptions of exempt information in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The Cabinet will need to decide whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption, outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

To consider passing the following resolution so that exempt information may be discussed.

**Recommended** that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the next item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 respectively of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

13. **Lessons learned from the disposal of Park Nursery** (*Pages 233 - 238*)  
At the Cabinet meeting held on the 13 May 2021, during the discussion on the monthly performance update from 3Rivers, it was proposed that the Council reflected on the process taken to dispose of the old Grounds Maintenance depot (Park Nursery), Park Road, Tiverton and to consider whether there were any lessons that could be learned.

The Audit Committee at its meeting on 27 July 2021 undertook such a review and its views will be reported to the Cabinet.

**Stephen Walford**  
Chief Executive  
Monday, 23 August 2021

### Covid-19 and meetings

From 7 May 2021, the law requires all councils to hold formal meetings in person. However, the Council is also required to follow government guidance about safety during the pandemic. The Council will enable all people to continue to participate in meetings via Zoom.

You are strongly encouraged to participate via Zoom to keep everyone safe - there is limited capacity in meeting rooms if safety requirements are to be met. There are restrictions and conditions which apply to those in the building and the use of the building. You must not attend a meeting at Phoenix House without complying with the requirements in the new protocol for meetings. You must follow any directions you are given.

Please read the new meeting protocol which is available here: <https://democracy.middevon.gov.uk/documents/s21866/aaaaHybridMeetingProtocolMay2021.pdf>

If you want to ask a question or speak, email your full name to [Committee@middevon.gov.uk](mailto:Committee@middevon.gov.uk) 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 would like a copy of the Agenda in another format (for example in large print) please contact Sally Gabriel on:

E-Mail: [sgabriel@middevon.gov.uk](mailto:sgabriel@middevon.gov.uk)

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