

Mid Devon District Council

Economy Policy Development Group

Thursday, 12 January 2023 at 5.30 pm
Phoenix Chambers, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Next ordinary meeting
Thursday, 16 March 2023 at 5.30 pm

Please Note: this meeting will take place at Phoenix House and members of the Public and Press are able to attend via Zoom. If you are intending to attend in person please contact the committee clerk in advance, in order that numbers of people can be appropriately managed in physical meeting rooms

[Join the Zoom meeting here](#)

Meeting ID: 835 6323 0914
Passcode: 255803

One tap mobile
08002605801,,83563230914#,,,,*255803# United Kingdom Toll-free
08003582817,,83563230914#,,,,*255803# United Kingdom Toll-free

Dial by your location
0 800 260 5801 United Kingdom Toll-free
0 800 358 2817 United Kingdom Toll-free
0 800 031 5717 United Kingdom Toll-free

Find your local number: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83563230914>

Join by Skype for Business
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83563230914>

Membership

Cllr J Buczkowski
Cllr Mrs C Collis
Cllr N V Davey
Cllr R J Dolley
Cllr J M Downes (Chairman)
Cllr R Evans
Cllr Mrs S Griggs
Cllr R F Radford
Cllr J Wright

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 notice of appointment of substitutes.
- 2 **Public Question Time**
To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
- 3 **Declaration of Interests under the Code of Conduct**
To record any interests on agenda matters.
- 4 **Minutes** *(Pages 5 - 10)*
To consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 10th November 2022
- 5 **Chairman's Announcements**
To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.
- 6 **Agricultural Overview** *(Pages 11 - 18)*
To provide members with an overview of the key challenges facing the agricultural sector and set out current areas of activity within the District Council as requested by this group.
- 7 **Economic Development Team update report** *(Pages 19 - 24)*
To receive a report from the Director of Place updating members on activities undertaken by the Economic Development Team during the last quarter.
- 8 **Tiverton Town Centre Masterplan Supplementary Planning Document and Delivery Plan** *(Pages 25 - 42)*
To receive a report from the Director of Place. Members will be aware that this authority has previously undertaken work with regard to regeneration and investment master planning for Tiverton town centre. This report seeks to provide an update to Members with recommendations in association with work being undertaken by the Coastal and Market Towns Initiative, Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund.
- 9 **UK Shared Prosperity Fund & Rural England Prosperity Fund Delivery Plan** *(Pages 43 - 52)*
To receive a report from the Director of Place updating members on the proposed delivery plan for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF), approve year 1 spend (2022/23) and approve delegated authority to the Director of Place, in conjunction with Cabinet Members, to approve the detailed SPF Policy and any accompanying guidance materials.

10 **2023/ 24 Budget Update Report** (Pages 53 - 68)

To receive a report from the Deputy Chief Executive (S151). The Local Government Finance Act 1992 places a legal requirement on the Council to approve a balanced budget. The first draft of the General Fund budget for 2023/24 indicated a deficit of £960k. This report updates that deficit to the current position of £905k and proposes options to consider to achieve the statutorily required neutrality.

11 **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:

- Team Work update
- Chairman's annual Report

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

Stephen Walford

Chief Executive

Wednesday, 4 January 2023

Meeting Information

From 7 May 2021, the law requires all councils to hold formal meetings in person. The Council will enable all people to continue to participate in meetings via Zoom.

If you want to ask a question or speak, email your full name to 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. Notification in this way will ensure the meeting runs as smoothly as possible.

Please note that a reasonable amount of hardcopies at the meeting will be available, however this is a limited number. If you are attending the meeting and would like a hardcopy of the agenda we encourage that you notify Member Services in advance of the meeting to ensure that a hardcopy is available. Otherwise, copies of the agenda can be found on our website.

If you would like a copy of the Agenda in another format (for example in large print) please contact Sarah Lees on: E-Mail: slees@middevon.gov.uk

Public Wi-Fi is available in all meeting rooms