MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

A MEETING of the **MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the Phoenix Chambers, Phoenix House, Tiverton on Wednesday, 6 September 2023 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 Wednesday, 1 November 2023 at 6.00 pm]

Please Note: this meeting will take place at Phoenix House and members of the Public and Press are able to attend via Teams. 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.

To join the meeting online, click here

Meeting ID: 310 402 529 494

Passcode: 8gHwsJ

STEPHEN WALFORD

Chief Executive

29 August 2023

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

AGENDA

1 Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 Public Question Time

To receive any questions relating to items on the agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.

3 Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct

To record any interests on agenda matters.

4 **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 16)

To consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 19 July 2023.

5 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements which the Chairman of the Council may wish to make.

6 **Petitions**

To receive any petitions from members of the public.

7 Notices of Motions

1. Motion 596 (Councillor R Gilmour – 10 July 2023)

- Mid Devon District Council call on Devon County Council to fulfil their statutory obligations under Section 41 of the 1980 Highways Act, that requires them to maintain Devon's roads and to keep them safe. Further, to explain the financial position regarding the funds promised by HMG, and received to date, the proposed remedial actions for the roads in Mid Devon District Council to be undertaken before this winter and the spending/budget allocations between 2022/3 - 2025/6.
- 2) Mid Devon District Council agrees to establish an on-line petition to include the following:

Our roads in Mid Devon have become dangerous and a liability to drivers, passengers, other road users and pedestrians.

Now, we the electorate of Mid Devon District Council are calling on Devon County Council to fix our dangerous roads and if they do not have sufficient funding to demand this from Central Government.

2. Motion 597 (Councillor L Kennedy - 10 July 2023)

In the interests of animal welfare this council prohibits the use of animals as prizes in any form of competition, games of chance or tests of skill of any kind at events commercial or private, promotions or gatherings organised or not on any land owned or controlled by Mid Devon District Council.

8 **Reports** (Pages 17 - 194)

To receive and consider the reports, minutes and recommendations of the recent meetings as follows:

1. Cabinet

- 6 June 2023
- 4 July 2023
- 1 August 2023
- 16 August 2023
- 29 August 2023 (to follow)

2. Scrutiny Committee

- 19 June 2023
- 17 July 2023
- 14 August 2023 (to follow)
- 24 August 2023 (to follow)

3. Audit Committee

- 27 June 2023
- 22 August 2023

4. Environment PDG

- 20 June 2023
- 15 August 2023

5. Homes PDG

- 13 June 2023
- 8 August 2023

6. Community PDG

- 27 June 2023
- 22 August 2023

7. Economy PDG

- 8 June 2023
- 3 August 2023

8. Planning Committee

- 14 June 2023
- 12 July 2023
- 30 August 2023 (to follow)

9. Standards Committee

- 21 June 2023 (to follow)

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9 Questions in accordance with Procedure Rule 13

To deal with any questions raised pursuant to Procedure Rule 13 not already dealt with during the relevant Committee reports.

10 Special Urgency Decisions

To note any decisions taken under Rule 16 (of the Constitution) Special Urgency –

11 Questions to Cabinet Members

To receive answers from the Cabinet Members to questions on their portfolios from other Members.

12 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.

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 Andrew Seaman on: aseaman@middevon.gov.uk

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