## **Mid Devon District Council**

# **Managing the Environment Policy Development Group**

Tuesday, 8 March 2016 at 2.00 pm Exe Room, Phoenix House, Phoenix Lane, Tiverton EX16 6PP

Next ordinary meeting Tuesday, 17 May 2016 at 2.00 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

# Membership

Clir R F Radford Clir D R Coren Clir Mrs C P Daw Clir R Evans Clir Mrs E J Slade Clir J D Squire Clir Mrs N Woollatt Clir R Wright Clir Mrs A R Berry

# 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 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.

## 3 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 5 - 8)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting of the Group (attached).

# 4 Chairman's Announcements

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

# 5 Motion 524 (Councillor Mrs C Collis 17 February 2016)

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To consider the following Motion referred by the Council to the Policy Development Group.

That the Council supports the removal and cessation of the use of all polystyrene cups and all food containers from all council offices and associated premises.

The use of such containers continues to place non biodegradable waste into landfill sites that will take hundreds of years to degrade and continues to threaten wildlife when digested.

Any and all such containers if used as disposable drinks or food containers should be fully certified as biodegradable or easily recycled within normal recycling parameters.

6 Update on New Collection Scheme for the Waste and Recycling Service (Pages 9 - 16)

The Group to receive an update from the Waste and Transport Manager regarding the roll out of phase 2 of the new recycling scheme and its performance during the first months of operation.

- 7 Financial Monitoring (Pages 17 32)
  - A report of the Head of Finance presenting a financial update in respect of the income and expenditure so far in the year.
- 8 Performance and Risk (Pages 33 36)

To receive a report from the Head of Communities and Governance providing Members with an update on performance against the corporate plan and local service targets for 2015-16 as well as providing an update on the key business risks.

- 9 Crediton Lords Meadow Link Road and Air Quality (Pages 37 44)
  Following an interim report to this Group in August 2015 to receive an update regarding changes to air quality in Exeter Road, Crediton (within the Crediton Air Quality Management Area) since the opening of the Lords Meadow Link Road with a full calendar year of monitoring data.
- 10 Climate Strategy and Action Plan (Pages 45 50)
  To receive a report from the Head of Housing and Property Services providing Members with the updated Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan for consideration
- Play Area Risk Assessment and Safety Inspection Review (Pages 51 60)

To receive a report from the Development Services Manager updating Members regarding the way in which the Council manages its play area risk assessments and safety inspections.

12 Chairmans Annual Report (Pages 61 - 64)

To receive the Chairman's draft annual report on the work of the Group since May 2015, which will be submitted to Council on 27 April 2016.

# 13 Identification of Items for the Next Meeting

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

Update from Health and Safety visit Tree Policy High Hedges Policy Review of Grass Cutting

> Stephen Walford Chief Executive Monday, 29 February 2016

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