Mid Devon District Council

Scrutiny Committee

Monday, 30 November 2015 at 2.00 pm Exe Room, Phoenix House

Next ordinary meeting Monday, 4 January 2016 at 2.00 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

Membership

Cllr F J Rosamond Cllr Mrs H Bainbridge Cllr Mrs J B Binks Cllr Mrs C P Daw Cllr Mrs S Griggs Cllr T G Hughes Cllr B A Moore Cllr Mrs J Roach Cllr Mrs E J Slade Cllr T W Snow Cllr N A Way Cllr Mrs N Woollatt

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 PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 12)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the last meeting of this Committee (attached).

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.

4 MEMBER FORUM

An opportunity for non-Cabinet Members to raise issues.

5 DECISIONS OF THE CABINET

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

6 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

7 **RIPA** (Pages 13 - 26)

Councillor Mrs J Roach has requested that the Committee discuss RIPA.

8 ANAEROBIC DIGESTERS (Pages 27 - 38)

At a meeting of the Committee on 10th September 2015 public concerns over operational anaerobic digester schemes in respect of noise, smell, pollution and traffic were discussed. It was resolved that a report be prepared to address the following issues in connection with anaerobic digesters.

9 PARTNERSHIP WORKING

At the programming panel meeting on the 14th September 2015 it was agreed that the subject of partnership working be discussed by the Scrutiny Committee to see if members felt it appropriate to set up a working group to consider this topic in more detail.

As the Council's funding from Government becomes less and less partnership working may be an area that the Council wishes to consider further in order to make savings and enable the setting of a balanced budget in future years.

There are many Councils that are already working in partnership with others and the models used and services being shared can vary from partnership to partnership.

In order for the Council to gain more of an understanding in terms of the types of partnership models including the costs, benefits and risks this may be something that a Scrutiny working group might like to consider.

10 **CULLOMPTON AND CREDITON TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS** (Pages 39 - 40)

At the request of the Committee to receive a report detailing plans for the improvement of Cullompton and Crediton Town Centres.

11 **TIVERTON PANNIER MARKET** (Pages 41 - 42)

At the request of the Committee to receive an update from Head of Communities and Governance regarding the Tiverton Pannier Market. The paper outlines some of the work that has taken place since the last update and some of the plans for 2016.

12 **PERFORMANCE AND RISK** (Pages 43 - 64)

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.

13 **UPDATE ON ACTIONS TAKEN BY NEIL PARISH MP** (*Pages 65 - 72*) The MP for Tiverton and Honiton Constituency, Mr N Parish, attended a meeting of the Committee in August 2015. The Committee to review actions taken by Mr Parish, following the meeting.

14 **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:

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

Cabinet Member for Housing and Property Services Whistleblowing Update

> Kevin Finan Chief Executive Friday, 20 November 2015

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