

MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

A **MEETING** of the **MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the Phoenix Chambers, Phoenix House, Tiverton on Wednesday, 24 February 2016 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, 27 April 2016 at 6.00 pm]

STEPHEN WALFORD

Chief Executive

16 February 2016

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

Reverend Paul Booth, Minister for Culmstock, Culm Valley, Halberton, Sampford Peverell, Tiverton and Upham will lead the Council in prayer.

AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies**
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2 **Minutes** (*Pages 5 - 12*)
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of Council on 6 January 2016

The Council is reminded that only those Members 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.
- 3 **NABMA Award**
The Chairman to receive on behalf of the Council an award presented to officers for the best small market at a recent event.
- 4 **Chairman's Announcements**
To receive any announcements which the Chairman of the Council may wish to make.
- 5 **Public Question Time**
To receive any questions relating to items on the agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
- 6 **Petitions**
To receive any petitions from members of the public.

7 **Notices of Motions**

(1) Motion 524 (Councillor Mrs C Collis 16 February 2016)

The Council have before it a **MOTION** submitted for the first time.

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.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 13.4, this Motion (if moved and seconded) will be referred without discussion to the Managing the Environment Policy Development Group.

8 **Committee Reports (a)** *(Pages 13 - 332)*

To receive and consider the reports, Minutes and recommendations of the Committee as follows:

(1) Cabinet

- 14 January 2016
- 28 January 2016
- 11 February 2016

9 **Council Tax Resolutions 2016/2017** *(Pages 333 - 344)*

To consider a report of the Head of Finance setting out the formal Council Tax Resolution.

10 **Committee Reports (b)** *(Pages 345 - 654)*

2) Scrutiny Committee

- 25 January 2016
- 22 February 2016 (to follow)

(3) Audit Committee

- 19 January 2016

(4) Managing the Environment Policy Development Group

- 12 January 2016

(5) Decent and Affordable Homes Policy Development Group

- 26 January 2016
- (6) Community Well Being Policy Development Group

- 2 February 2016
- (7) Planning Committee

- 13 January 2016
- 10 February 2016

- (8) Standards Committee

- 3 February 2016

11 **Revised Date for the Annual Council Meeting 2016**

Members are requested to consider an amendment to the current Schedule of Meetings: amending the date of the Annual Council Meeting from Wednesday 4 May 2016 to Tuesday 10 May 2016. (due to staff resource and room availability for the PCC Election taking place on 5 May 2016).

12 **Ungrouped Vacancies - Planning Committee**

To appoint two Members of the Ungrouped to the Planning Committee following the resignation of Councillors J L Smith and R J Dolley from this Committee.

13 **Heart of the South West Formal Devolution Bid** (*Pages 655 - 690*)

To receive a report of the Chief Executive giving Members the opportunity to formally consider and agree the prospectus for a devolution bid for the Heart of the South West to be submitted to central Government.

14 **Questions**

To deal with any questions raised pursuant to Procedure Rule 12 not already dealt with during the relevant Committee report.

15 **Questions to Cabinet Members**

Cabinet Members will answer questions from Members on their Portfolios.

16 **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.

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