

Mid Devon District Council

Cabinet

Thursday, 7 July 2016 at 2.15 pm
Phoenix House

Next ordinary meeting
Thursday, 4 August 2016 at 2.15 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

Membership

Cllr C J Eginton	Leader
Cllr R J Chesterton	Deputy Leader and Planning and Economic Regeneration
Cllr N V Davey	Environment
Cllr P H D Hare-Scott	Finance
Cllr C R Slade	Community Well Being
Cllr Mrs M E Squires	Working Environment and Support Services
Cllr R L Stanley	Housing

A G E N D A

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

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. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 16)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of 9 June 2016.

4. **Proposed Changes to Council Tax Reduction Scheme** (Pages 17 - 20)

Arising from a report of the Head of Finance, the Community Well Being Policy Development Group has made the following recommendation: that Cabinet note the reasons for the proposal, the consultation process

and requirement to approve a revised scheme by 31 January 2017.

5. **Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy and Procedures July 2016** *(Pages 21 - 52)*

Arising from a report of the Head of Communities and Governance, the Community Well Being Policy Development Group has made the following recommendation: subject to an amendment to make clear that the Lead Member referred to within the report was the Cabinet Member for Working Environment and Support Services the Cabinet approve the Devon District Councils joint Safeguarding Policy and the MDDC guidance and procedures.

6. **Early Help Services** *(Pages 53 - 98)*

Arising from a report of the Head of Communities and Governance, the Community Well Being Policy Development Group has made the following recommendation: that Cabinet approve the Working Practice Agreement for the sharing of information to support Early Help Provision.

7. **Devolution for Mid Devon within the Heart of the South West** *(Pages 99 - 138)*

To receive a report of the Chief Executive seeking agreement on the principle of a Combined Authority for the Heart of the South West, as set out in the Prospectus for Productivity, as the basis for negotiation with Government towards a Devolution Deal for the area.

8. **Senior Officer Structure Revisions** *(Pages 139 - 142)*

Report of the Chief Executive seeking to modernise the senior officer structure and allow for changes to terms and conditions that strengthen the link between performance, delivery and members' ability to hold their senior officers to account. And to amend annual leave entitlements as part of ongoing employee relations.

9. **Proposed Greater Exeter Strategic Plan** *(Pages 143 - 154)*

Report of the Head of Planning and Regeneration requesting consideration of a proposal for a joint strategic plan for the Greater Exeter area which would be prepared in partnership between East Devon District Council, Exeter City Council, Mid Devon District Council and Teignbridge District Council with assistance from Devon County Council.

10. **Asset Management and Capital Strategy Plan** *(Pages 155 - 190)*

To receive a report of the Head of Housing and Property Services (deferred from 10 March 2015 meeting) regarding the revised Asset

11. **Cabinet Member Individual Decision**

To inform the Cabinet that the following decision has been made by the Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Regeneration under delegated powers:

To provide funding for Crediton Town Team to organise the Crediton Festival 2017, the Crediton Food Festival 2017 (in liaison with Crediton Arts Centre) and events to celebrate and raise awareness of the life of St. Boniface. Together with the annual Crediton Flags Project and Crediton at Christmas, which are funded separately, the Crediton Festival, Food Festival and St. Boniface celebrations are activities that contribute significantly to raising the profile of Crediton and bringing more business into the town. However, all of these events are entering a stage of transition as their established organisers are winding down their involvement or moving on to new initiatives. In order to retain continuity during this period of change and establish all events on a more sustainable financial footing for 2017 and beyond, the proposal is for the Town Team to contract an organiser/facilitator to ensure the 2017 events happen while the Council's Grants and Funding Officer identifies sustainable funding streams for 2018 and beyond. The cumulative cost of bringing in an organiser/facilitator for the next 12-18 months is £8,325, which will be paid from the remnants of the High Street Innovation Fund and the Council's LABGI (Local Authority Business Growth Incentive) budget.

12. **Notification of Key Decisions** (*Pages 191 - 206*)

To note the rolling plan containing key decisions.

Stephen Walford

Chief Executive

Wednesday, 29 June 2016

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