

Mid Devon District Council

Cabinet

Thursday, 1 December 2016 at 2.15 pm
Exe Room, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Next ordinary meeting
Thursday, 5 January 2017 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 K Busch	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 - 12)

To receive the minutes of the special meeting of 21 November 2016.

4. Motion 530 (Cllrs R L Stanley and R J Chesterton 19 September 2016)

To consider the following Motion that has been passed to the Cabinet from Council:

In order to allow a new, productive future for certain agricultural

buildings, permitted development rights have been extended allowing for their use to change without planning permission in certain instances. Procedures allow for local consultation but do not currently recognise a need to consult with Parish Councils. Local communities as represented through Parish Councils, are well placed to identify the likely impacts of proposals and could be identified as a required consultee. Impacts may be cumulative where there is a concentration of proposals within a small area and it is considered that the permitted development rights could be worded to recognise cumulative effects. It is requested that Council write to the Minister to bring these issues to his attention and request that he amend the General Permitted Development Order accordingly.

5. **Recommendation from Environment Policy Development Group - Draft Budget**

Arising from a report of the Director of Finance, Assets and Resources regarding options available in order for the Council to set a balanced budget, the PDG had recommended that:

- a) Bulky Waste collection fees be increased by £1 from April 2017; and
- b) Garden Waste collection fees be increased by £1 for both size bins from October 2017.

6. **Council Tax Reduction Scheme** (*Pages 13 - 44*)

Arising from a report of the Director of Finance, Assets and Resources, the Community Policy Development Group's recommendation to follow.

7. **Tax Base Calculation** (*Pages 45 - 50*)

Report of the Director of Finance, Assets and Resources detailing the statutory calculations necessary to determine the Tax Base for the Council Tax.

8. **Tiverton Memorial Garden Project** (*Pages 51 - 56*)

To consider a report of the Conservation Officer seeking agreement for the continued work of the Tiverton War Memorial Project Working Group.

9. **Freedom of Information Policy** (*Pages 57 - 68*)

To consider a report of the Head of Customer Services regarding a review of Freedom of Information Policy (FOI) and Environmental Information Regulations (EIR).

10. **Performance and Risk** (*Pages 69 - 98*)

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Affairs and Business Transformation providing Members with an update on performance against the corporate plan and local service targets for 2016-17 as well as providing an update on the key business risks.

11. **Cabinet Member Decision - Environment.**

To note the following decision made by the Cabinet Member for the Environment:

To give free car parking for the first three Saturday's in December (3rd, 10th and 17th) plus a 4th day (Saturday 26th November for Tiverton and Cullompton and Saturday 24th December for Crediton) in the long stay car parks of:

Multi-storey car park, Tiverton

Station Road, Cullompton

St Saviours Way, Crediton

12. **Notification of Key Decisions** (*Pages 99 - 108*)

To note the contents of the Forward Plan.

Stephen Walford

Chief Executive

Wednesday, 23 November 2016

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