

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



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To: The Chairman and Members of North Hertfordshire District Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVE OF A

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

to be held in the

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES,
GERNON ROAD, LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY**

on

THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY 2020

at

7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson
Service Director – Legal and Community

****MEMBERS PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DOWNLOAD ALL AGENDAS AND REPORTS VIA THE MOD.GOV APPLICATION ON YOUR TABLET BEFORE ATTENDING THE MEETING****

Agenda **Part I**

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| 1. | APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE | |
| 2. | MINUTES - 21 NOVEMBER 2019 To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 21 November 2019. | 5 - 14 |
| 3. | NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS Members should notify the Chairman of other business which they wish to be discussed at the end of either Part I or Part II business set out in the agenda. They must state the circumstances which they consider justify the business being considered as a matter of urgency. The Chairman will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered. | |
| 4. | CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS <u>Climate Emergency</u> Members are reminded that this Council has declared a Climate Emergency. This is a serious decision and means that, as this is an emergency, all of us, officers and members have that in mind as we carry out our various roles and tasks for the benefit of our District. <u>Declarations of Interest</u> Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda, should be declared as either a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Declarable Interest and are required to notify the Chairman of the nature of any interest declared at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest must withdraw from the meeting for the duration of the item. Members declaring a Declarable Interest, wishing to exercise a 'Councillor Speaking Right', must declare this at the same time as the interest, move to the public area before speaking to the item and then must leave the room before the debate and vote. | |
| 5. | PUBLIC PARTICIPATION To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public. | |
| 6. | ITEMS REFERRED FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Any Items referred from other committees will be circulated as soon as they are available. | 15 - 106 |

- 7. REVIEW OF PLANNING CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE** 107 -
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The report details changes to the council's Planning Code of Good Practice as part of its review.

- 8. REVIEW OF MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME** 139 -
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To agree the Member's Allowances Scheme 2020/2021 having taken into account the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel ('IRP').

- 9. CONSTITUTIONAL & GOVERNANCE REVIEW 2019/20** 157 -
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This reports sets out the review undertaken and recommends amendments to update the Council's Constitution and propose new Panels.

- 10. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**
To consider any questions submitted by Members of the Council, in accordance with Standing Order 4.8.11 (b).

- 11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS**
To consider any motions, due notice of which have been given in accordance with Standing Order 4.8.12.