

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



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To: The Chair and Members of North Hertfordshire District Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

to be held as a

VIRTUAL MEETING

on

THURSDAY, 4 JUNE 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. ELECTION OF CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2020/21 To elect a Chair of the Council to hold office until the election of a successor at the next Annual Meeting of the Council.	
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2020/21 To elect a Vice-Chair of the Council to hold office until the appointment of a successor at the next Annual Meeting of the Council.	
4. CHAIR'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 Chair 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. SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS 2020/21 REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER To seek approval to a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the Civic Year 2020/21 and approve the calendar of meetings for 2020/21.	5 - 12
6. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AND DEPUTY EXECUTIVE MEMBERS FOR 2020/21 REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER To note the Leader of the Council's appointment of a Deputy Leader of the Council and the Executive Members making up the Membership of the Cabinet for 2020/21.	13 - 18

7. **CHANGES TO CONSTITUTION RECOMMENDED BY CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE & FLEXIBILITY OF MEETINGS REGULATIONS CHANGES** 19 - 44
REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - LEGAL AND COMMUNITY & MONITORING OFFICER

To consider potential amendments to the Council's Constitution and Council Procedure Rules following recommendations in the Corporate Peer Challenge Report and the introduction of the 'Flexibility of Meetings Regulations 2020'.

8. **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES FOR 2020/21** 45 - 60
REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

To determine the Committees to be appointed for 2020/21, the number of places on each and allocation thereof to the respective Groups and to appoint Members in accordance with their nominations.

9. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES FOR 2020/21** 61 - 66
REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

To appoint the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Committees (except the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Area Committees) for 2020/21.

10. **KEY DECISIONS - ANNUAL REPORT ON CASES OF SPECIAL URGENCY** 67 - 72
REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

To inform the Council of any occasions over the past year where the provisions relating to "Special Urgency" have been used in connection with the publication of an intention to make a Key Decision, as required by legislation.

11. **NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER BODIES FOR 2020/21** 73 - 80
REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

To nominate the Council's representatives on outside organisations and other bodies for 2020/21.