NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE CABINET

to be held in the

COUNCIL CHAMBER, DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES, LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY

on

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 2021 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda <u>Part I</u>

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1. MINUTES SILENCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF COUNCILLOR PAUL CLARK

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(Pages 5 - 16)

To take as read and approve as a true record of proceedings the minutes of the meeting on 21 September 2021.

4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

Members should notify the Chair 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 Chair will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Climate Emergency

The Council has declared a climate emergency and is committed to achieving a target of zero carbon emissions by 2030 and helping local people and businesses to reduce their own carbon emissions.

A Cabinet Panel on the Environment has been established to engage with local people on matters relating to the climate emergency and advise the council on how to achieve these climate change objectives. A Climate Change Implementation group of councillors and council officers meets regularly to produce plans and monitor progress. Actions taken or currently underway include switching to green energy, incentives for low emission taxis, expanding tree planting and working to cut food waste.

In addition the council is a member of the Hertfordshire Climate Change and Sustainability Partnership, working with other councils across Hertfordshire to reduce the county's carbon emissions and climate impact.

The Council's dedicated webpage on Climate Change includes details of the council's climate change strategy, the work of the Cabinet Panel on the Environment and a monthly briefing on progress.

Declarations of Interest

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.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public.

7. ITEMS REFERRED FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Any Items referred from other committees will be circulated as soon as they are available.

8. DRAFT BUDGET 2022/23

(Pages

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - RESOURCES

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To consider the Draft Budget 2022/23

9. QUARTERLY UPDATE ON RISK MANAGEMENT AND ANNUAL REVIEW OF RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

(Pages 43 - 64)

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - RESOURCES

To receive the second quarter update on Risk Management and the Annual Review of the Risk Management Framework.

10. SECOND QUARTER INVESTMENT STRATEGY (CAPITAL AND TREASURY) REVIEW 2021/22

(Pages 65 - 96)

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - RESOURCES

To receive an update on progress with delivering the capital and treasury strategy for 2021/22, as at the end of September 2021.

11. SECOND QUARTER REVENUE MONITORING 2021/22

(Pages

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - RESOURCES

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To inform Cabinet of the summary position on revenue income and expenditure forecasts for the financial year 2021/22, as at the end of the second quarter.

12. COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME - YEAR 10

(Pages 111 -

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - CUSTOMERS

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To provide Cabinet with an update on how the scheme is operating and to consider whether any changes should be made for 2022/2023

13. DE-COMMISSION OF LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (LSP)

(Pages 119 -

REPORT OF THE POLICY AND COMMUNITIES MANAGER

124)

To review one of the Council's current engagement structures – the non-statutory Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) which is currently known as the North Hertfordshire Partnership.

14.	STRATEGIC PLANNING MATTERS REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR – REGULATORY	(Pages 125 - 194)
	To consider the latest position on key planning and transport issues affecting the District.	101)
15.	ASHWELL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR – REGULATORY	(Pages 195 - 246)
	To consider the examiner's report and the proposed modifications to the Ashwell Parish Neighbourhood Plan.	240)
16.	LEISURE COVID RECOVERY UPDATE REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - PLACE	(Pages 247 - 254)
	To provide a general update on the recovery of our major leisure facilities from COVID-19.	204)