

SUMMONS

Council Meeting (Council Tax Setting Meeting)

Date: 22 February 2011

Time: 10.30 am

Place: Council Chamber - County Hall, Trowbridge

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COUNCIL CHAMBER**

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PART I

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. **Apologies**

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (*Pages 1 - 42*)

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the last meeting of Council held on 9 November 2010

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

4. **Announcements by the Chairman**

5. **Petitions Update** (*Pages 43 - 46*)

Report by the Head of Democratic Services updating Council on petitions received since the last Council meeting is attached.

No petitions have been received for presentation at this meeting.

6. **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

Statements

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item. Please contact the officer named on the first page of this agenda for any further clarification.

Questions

To receive questions from members of the public received in accordance with the constitution. Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the first page of this agenda (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) **no later than 5pm on Tuesday 15 February 2011**. Please contact the officer named on the first page of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

7. **By Election - Bromham, Rowde and Potterne** (*Pages 47 - 48*)

To note the report of the Deputy Returning Officer on the results of the Bromham, Rowde and Potterne By-election held on 21 December 2010 when Councillor Elizabeth-Anne Bryant was duly elected.

BUDGET 2011/12

Business Plan & Financial Plan

Councillors are respectfully reminded to bring with them to the meeting the Business Plan and Financial Plan. These documents can also be accessed on the following link of the Council's website:

<http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=113&MId=5730&Ver=4>

8. **Wiltshire Council's Business Plan and 2011/12 Budget** (*Pages 49 - 52*)

To consider the Leader's motion on the Business Plan and Financial Plan for 2011-15 and the Budget and council tax levels for 2011/12 following the recommendations of Cabinet from its meeting on 15 February 2011.

Report of the Chief Executive is attached.

The report of the Special meeting of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees held on 10 February to discuss the Business Plan, Financial Plan and budget proposals will be circulated.

The following reports are attached:

(some of these reports were previously circulated with the Financial Plan, these have been reproduced in this Summons for ease of reference)

- (a) **Capital Programme Proposals 2011/12 to 2014/15** (*Pages 53 - 62*)
- (b) **Housing Revenue Account Budget and Rent Setting 2011/12** (*Pages 63 - 68*)
- (c) **Schools Budget Proposals 2011/12** (*Pages 69 - 72*)
- (d) **Fees and Charges 2011/12** (*Pages 73 - 82*)
- (e) **Council Tax Resolution**

Due to the timing of the precepting authorities determining their respective precepts, the proposed Council Tax Resolution will be tabled at the meeting.

- (f) **Treasury Management Strategy 2011/12** (*Pages 83 - 106*)

As recommended by Cabinet at its meeting on 25 January 2010. Report presented to Cabinet and relevant extract of Cabinet minutes attached.

POLICY FRAMEWORK

Under its Constitution, the Council is responsible for approving the policy framework of the Council expressed in various plans and strategies.

- 9. **South Wiltshire Core Strategy - Review of Housing and Employment Requirements** (*Pages 107 - 134*)

The Cabinet member for Economic Development, Planning and Housing will present proposals to change the housing and employment requirements in the draft South Wiltshire Core Strategy.

Supporting documents for the South Wiltshire Core Strategy are available separately and can be accessed on the following link of the Council's website:
<http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=130&MId=944&Ver=4>

Report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood and Planning is attached.

- 10. **Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026** (*Pages 135 - 170*)

The Cabinet member for Highways and Transport will present the Local Transport Plan for adoption by Council. This will be considered by Cabinet on 15 February 2011, the recommendations from which will be provided to Councillors.

Report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood and Planning is attached.

The proposed Wiltshire Local Transport Plan is enclosed separately and can be accessed on the following link of the Council's website:

<http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=130&Mid=944&Ver=4>

COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS

11. **Councillors' Questions**

Please note that Councillors are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the first page of this agenda (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) not later than **5pm Tuesday 15 February**. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

12. **Notice of Motion 15 - Government Funding of the EU - from Councillors Mike Cuthbert-Murray and Russell Hawker (Pages 171 - 172)**

To consider the attached motion.

MINUTES OF CABINET AND COMMITTEES

13. **Minutes of Cabinet and Committees**

- (a) The Chairman will move that Council receives and notes the minutes of Cabinet and the various Committees of the Council as listed in the Minutes Book enclosed separately.
- (b) The Leader, Cabinet members and Chairmen of Committees will be given a brief opportunity to make any important announcements.
- (c) Councillors will be given an opportunity to raise general issues relating to Area Boards but not specific local issues.
- (d) Councillors will be given the opportunity to raise questions on points of information or clarification on the minutes presented.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

14. **Review of Allocation of Seats on Committees to Political Groups (Pages 173 - 174)**

Report by the Service Director, Legal and Democratic Services is attached.

15. **Dates of next meetings**

Recommended:

That Council approve the dates of Council meetings for 2011/12 as follows:

17th May	2011 (Annual)
12th July	2011
8th November	2011
21st Feb	2012 (Council Tax setting)

EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

To receive reports from external organisations.

Please note that under the Constitution, Councillors wishing to ask a question in relation to the reports of the Wiltshire Police Authority and the Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority are required to give written notice to the officer named on the front of this agenda (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) no later than five clear days before the Council meeting – **Monday 14 February 2011**.

The documents referred to in the following items 16 (a) and (b) and 17, were previously circulated to Councillors to provide an opportunity to submit any questions within the above mentioned timescale. The documents are also circulated with this agenda for ease of reference.

16. **Wiltshire Police Authority**

To receive and note:

(a) **Minutes of the Wiltshire Police Authority meeting held on 2 December 2010** (*Pages 175 - 182*)

(b) **The report of the Wiltshire Police Authority** (*Pages 183 - 186*)

17. **Minutes of the Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority** (*Pages 187 - 190*)

To receive and note the minutes of the Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority meeting held on 16 December 2010.

PART II

Items during consideration of which it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

None

Dr Carlton Brand
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