

18th October 2005

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

A MEETING OF KENNET DISTRICT COUNCIL will be held in the Council Chamber, Browfort, Devizes at 2.15pm on **Tuesday 25th October, 2005** to which all Members are summoned to attend for the transaction of the business specified in the agenda below.

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To: All Members of Kennet District Council

AGENDA

All enquiries on this agenda should be directed to
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THE MEETING WILL OPEN WITH A PRAYER

Part 1

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

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 26th July 2005, copy attached for Members and Officers.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

To receive any disclosure of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the Kennet Code of Conduct.

If in doubt, Members are asked to seek advice from the Chief Executive, Solicitor to the Council or the Democratic Services Team Leader prior to the meeting.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

5. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule no. 9. to deal with any relevant questions from members of the public.

Anyone wishing to ask a question should contact the Democratic Services Section, Tel: 01380 724911. Advice to the public and a leaflet about the scheme is available from the Democratic Services Section.

6. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

To receive the minutes, including any recommendations, of the meetings of the following Committees (copies attached for Members and Officers) and to take such action and make decisions as may be required arising therefrom.

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Meeting date</u>
Community Development Executive	13 th September 2005
Planning Policies Executive Committee	8 th September 2005
Resources Executive	26 th July & 30 th August 2005
Overview & Scrutiny Management Board	11 th October 2005
Regulatory	21 st July, 1 st August (site meeting) 11 th August, 1 st September and 22 nd September.
Human Resources	15 th September 2005

7. ADOPTION OF THE KENNET COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2005 – 2015

To consider report C/19/05 by the Policy Manager concerning the adoption of the Community Strategy 2005 – 2015. Copy attached (pages 5 to 27)

Background Papers – None

8. NOTICE OF MOTION – COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 11, Councillor C P Humphries, supported by Councillor K R F Beard, has submitted the following Notice of Motion:

In the light of strong and persistent environmental health concerns expressed by the community in urban areas about the erection of telecom masts and base stations; that

1. this council writes to the Deputy Prime Minister asking for an urgent review of Government policy with the objective of removing the apparent presumption in favour of the erection of masts and base stations in areas of high population density, particularly in the immediate vicinity of homes, schools and health care facilities. Failing this, that the government affords more weight to perceived health concerns of residents as a material consideration in the planning process as suggested in PPG8 paragraph 29:

“ 29. Health considerations and public concern can in principle be material considerations in determining applications for planning permission and prior approval. Whether such matters are material in a particular case is ultimately a matter for the courts. It is for the decision maker (usually the local planning authority) to determine what weight to attach to such considerations in any particular case”; and

2. officers be instructed to prepare a policy in our local development documents that will resist the erection of masts and base stations near homes, hospitals and schools, and require mast operators to demonstrate that there is no alternative location to site masts and base stations outside urban areas.

Note:- In accordance with Council procedure Rule No. 11, once moved and seconded, the matter will automatically stand referred to Planning Policies Executive Committee for consideration and report.

9. NOTICE OF MOTION – COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 11, Councillor A H Still, supported by Councillor A Wood, has submitted the following Notice of Motion:

THAT:

The Officers restore the position of Arts Officer, recently given up, and that the funding be provided by the Members, who shall agree to their Annual Remuneration being reduced by £500 per person per annum.

Note:- In accordance with Council procedure Rule No. 11, once moved and seconded, the matter will automatically stand referred to Community Development Executive Committee for consideration and report.

PART 2

Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded due to the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

None

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER
