

COUNCIL

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

27th November 2006

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council to be held on **Tuesday 5th December 2006 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, Monkton Park, Chippenham.** The items for decision and information at the meeting are as listed on the attached Agenda.

Any papers listed as "to follow", urgent items or supplementary papers will be made available as soon as possible and in any event no later than 30 minutes before the start of the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

John Watling
Policy and Democratic Services Team Leader

AGENDA

Prayers

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 17th October 2006, **copy included in the Minute Book.**

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any item contained in this Agenda.

4. Chairman's Announcements (If Any)

5. Public Question Time/Receipt of Petitions

To receive public questions and / or petitions in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 11 and 12.

6. Question Time

Members should submit their questions to the Policy & Democratic Services Team.

Members will be required to submit their questions in writing at least 10 minutes before the start of the meeting. Questions will only be accepted if they relate to the Minute Book. When submitting their questions, Members will be required to indicate the Minute Number they relate to. Questions will be taken in the order they are registered. Question Time will be limited to 30 minutes.

7. Adoption of the Secretary of States' Cosmetic Piercing and Skin Colouring Byelaws

At its meeting on the 6th November 2006, the Personnel, Licensing and Administration Committee considered the adoption of the Secretary of States' Cosmetic Piercing and Skin Colouring Byelaws and made the following recommendation to Council. A copy of the PLA Report and the Appendix referred to in the recommendation are **attached** as Report No.7:

Recommended to Council that the model byelaws relating to cosmetic piercing and semi-permanent skin colouring, (as set out in the attached Appendix) be adopted.

8. Calculation of Council Tax Base 2007/08

At its meeting on the 16th November 2006, the Executive considered the calculation of the Council Tax Base 2007/08 and made the following recommendations. A copy of the Executive Report and the Appendix referred to in the recommendation are **attached** as Report No.8:

Resolved to recommend that:

- (1) In accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) Regulations 1992, the amount calculated by North Wiltshire District Council as its Council Tax Base for**

the year 2007/08 shall be as set out in Column 12 of Appendix 1.

- (2) The amounts calculated as the Council Tax Bases of the various parish areas for 2007/08 shall be as set out in Appendix 1.
- (3) For the purposes of Section 35 (1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, with the exception of special items (Parish Council Precepts), all expenses falling on the Council's General Fund be declared general expenses chargeable on the District as a whole.

9. Gambling Act 2005 - Statement of Principles

The purpose of Report No. 9, **copy attached**, is asked to Council to adopt a Statement of Principles to be applied under the Gambling Act 2005.

10. A Local Development Scheme for North Wiltshire – Second Revision 2007-10

The purpose of Report No. 10, **copy attached**, is to consider approving a Second Revised Local Development Scheme 2007 – 2010 for submission to the Secretary of State.

11. Scheme of Delegation to Officers

The purpose of Report No. 11, **copy attached**, is to seek Council's approval to amend the Scheme of Delegation to Officers.

12. Quarterly Report on Special Urgency Decisions

The purpose of Report No. 12, **copy attached**, is to inform Council of Key Decisions taken by the Executive in circumstances of special urgency since the last quarterly report was prepared on 17th November 2006.

13. Questions from Councillors – Council Procedure Rule 14

To receive any written questions asked by Councillors in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.

14. Notices of Motion – Council Procedure Rule 15

To receive any new Notices of Motion submitted by Councillors in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.

- (a) Councillor P.G. Allnatt – Racist Email
- (b) Councillor P.G. Allnatt – Local Government White Paper
- (c) Councillor P.G. Allnatt - VAT & Healthy Living

Copies of these Notices are appended to this Agenda. Along with Report No.14;
Local Government White Paper: Strong and Prosperous Communities.

The purpose of Report No.14 is to provide Council with a summary of the main points arising from the Local Government White Paper: Strong and Prosperous Communities, published by the Government on 26 October 2006. It relates to Councillor P.G. Allnatt's Notice of Motion (b) – Local Government White Paper.