

COUNCIL

30th January 2007

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

22nd January 2007

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council to be held on **Tuesday 30th January 2007 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 January 2007, **(copy attached)**.

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

The purpose of Report No.7, **(copy attached)**, is to amend the previous Local Development Scheme approved by Council on 5th December 2006, in the light of the decision by the Bowood Estate not to continue its participation in a local development document.

8. Budget Consultation Feedback

The purpose of Report No. 8, **(copy attached)**, is to provide Council with feedback from recent budget consultation to help inform the setting of the budget for 2007/08.

9. Annual Prudential Indicators Statement

At its meeting on the 18th January 2007, the Executive considered the Annual Prudential Indicators Statement. A copy of the Executive Report is **attached** as Report No.9:

Recommended to Council that the Prudential Indicators be agreed.

10. Local Government and Housing Act 1989 – Allocation of Seats

The purpose of Report No. 10, **(to follow)**, is to advise the council regarding the allocation of seats to political groups in the advent of any political changes

11. Appointments to the Council's Standing Committees

The purpose of Report No. 11, **(to follow)**, is to amend the membership of the Council's Committees due to political changes taking into account the nominations of the Political Groups as required by law.

12. Questions from Councillors – Council Procedure Rule 14

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

Councillor M. Rousell:

I am concerned about the number of pensioners using bus passes and tokens in my area. The busses are thronged with people taking advantage of the subsidy. Could the Leader tell us what budget was allocated for this, what the expenditure is to date, what the forecast is for the full year and could she indicate her confidence in this forecast.

13. Notices of Motion – Council Procedure Rule 15

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

Councillor J. Webb:

This Council should amend the proposed new no smoking area around the Monkton Park building to exclude the public footpath that goes from the entrance way into the Monkton Park site, down the steps & into Monkton Park.

I suggest this for two reasons;

- 1) Public footpaths are not the responsibility of this Council, making our smoking ban unenforceable on the pathway.
- 2) This is just the type of confused thinking the tabloid press in London adores.