

COUNCIL

22nd February 2007

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

14th February 2007

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council to be held on **Thursday 22nd February 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 30th January 2007, **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. Corporate Plan 2007-2010

At its meeting on 1st February 2007 the Executive considered a report on the Corporate Plan 2007-2010. A report is **attached** as Report No. 7.

Recommended to Council that the draft Corporate Plan for 2007/10 be approved;

8. Budget Proposals 2007/08

The purpose of Report No. 8, **to follow**, is to agree the Budget and Council Tax for 2007/08.

9. Protocol for Development Control Matters and Development Control Meetings

At its meeting on 31st January 2007 the Development Control Committee considered a report on Development Control Matters and Meetings. A copy of the revised Council Procedure Rule 13 is appended to the Development Control minutes in the minute book.

Recommended to Council that the amendment to the Council Procedure Rule 13 attached at **Appendix 2** to those minutes be approved

10. Calendar of Meetings 2007/08

The purpose of Report No. 10, **copy attached**, is to agree a draft calendar of meetings for 2007/2008.

11. Questions from Councillors – Council Procedure Rule 14

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

a) Councillor A. M. Bucknell

Do the Leader and Deputy Leaders of the Council agree that:

1. There should be a protocol for dealing with enquiries relating to their portfolio from other elected members?

2. That it is reasonable for other elected members to receive responses to their enquiries within a reasonable amount of time?

and that

3. The term "reasonable" would be in the order of 5 working days?

12. 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 – Corporate Plan
- (b) Councillor P.G. Allnatt – Budget Proposals 2007/2008
- (c) Councillor P.G. Allnatt – Leisure Provision Working Group
- (d) Councillor P.G. Allnatt – Senior Management Review

Copies of these Notices are appended to this Agenda.

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Notice of Motions.

1. Corporate Plan. “Council resolves to amend the Corporate Plan appearing in the agenda papers (and as may be altered at the meeting), to read as shown at Appendix to this motion.”
2. Budget Proposals 2007/2008. “Council wishes, to secure the long-term provision of sport and leisure facilities in Calne, Chippenham, Corsham, Cricklade, Malmesbury and Wootton Bassett. It therefore resolves to amend the Budget Proposals appearing in the agenda papers (and as may be altered at the meeting) to read as shown at Appendices to this motion.”
3. “Council thinks the members of the Leisure Provisioning Working Group (past and present) for their honest endeavours in very difficult circumstances. Council deprecates personal attacks on members of the working group and the Executive. Council notes that the working group has twice voted to close three leisure centres in the east of the District but that the Executive has now agreed to close two and instructed officers to continue to explore other possibilities with schools, the County Council and community groups.”
4. Senior Management Review. “Council regrets that it is having to consider the Corporate Plan and Budget 2007/2008 separately from the substantial staff changes recommended as a result of the Senior Management Review. It welcomes the opportunity to address some of the issues through the detailed amendments proposed to both the Corporate Plan and the Budget 2007/2008”