

SUMMONS

Council Meeting (Budget and Council Tax Setting)
Date: 23 February 2010
Time: 10.30 am
Place: Council Chamber, County Hall, Trowbridge

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COUNCIL CHAMBER**

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PART 1

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

- Apologies**
To receive any apologies for absence.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting** (*Pages 1 - 18*)
To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the last meeting of Council held on 1 December 2009.
- Declarations of Interest**
To declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.
- Announcements by the Chairman**
- Petition - Preferred Option for Chippenham Under Wiltshire 2026 Plan**
(*Pages 19 - 22*)

'To receive a petition with 1,044 signatories opposing the preferred option for Chippenham under the Wiltshire 2026 Plan.

Details of the petition and petition speech are attached together with the response from the Service Director for Economy and Enterprise.

6. **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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 above for any further clarification.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question should give written notice (including details of the question) to the officer named above (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) by **12.00 noon on Friday 19 February 2010**.

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

BUDGET 2010/11

7. **Budget 2010/11 (Pages 23 - 24)**

To consider the recommendations of Cabinet dated 11 February 2010, details attached.

A report on the formal Council Tax resolution will be circulated as soon as possible.

A meeting of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Select Committee will meet on 16 February to discuss the budget proposals and a report will be circulated detailing any comments or recommendations arising from this meeting.

The Leader of Council will move Cabinet's recommendations for the 2010/11 Budget.

Councillors are respectfully reminded to bring with them to the meeting the Cabinet agenda dated 11 February which contains the various reports on the Budget. These documents can also be accessed on the following link of the Council's website:

<http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=141&MId=249&Ver=4>

POLICY FRAMEWORK

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

8. **Statement of Community Involvement** (*Pages 25 - 32*)

Cabinet at its meeting on 11 February 2010 considered and approved the Statement of Community Involvement with amendments for recommendation to this meeting.

The Leader of Council will present Cabinet's recommendation that Council formally adopt the Statement of Community Involvement as amended.

The report considered by Cabinet is attached as background information.

The Statement of Community Involvement document as amended by Cabinet will be circulated as soon as possible.

COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

9. **Councillors' Questions** (*Pages 33 - 50*)

Please note that Councillors are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named above (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) not later than **noon Friday 19 February 2010**. 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.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

10. **Executive Business**

- (a) The Leader and/or Cabinet Members to update Council on any major activities within their respective areas of responsibility.
- (b) The Leader to advise on any changes to the Scheme of Delegation to Cabinet members.

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

11. **Overview and Scrutiny**

The Chairmen of the Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees to update

Council on any major activities within their respective Select Committees

MINUTES OF CABINET AND COMMITTEES

12. 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) Chairmen of Committees other than Cabinet and Scrutiny Select Committees will be given a brief opportunity to make any important announcements concerning the work of their respective committees. Cabinet and Scrutiny Select Committees are dealt with under items 10 and 11 respectively.
- (c) Councillors will be given the opportunity to raise questions on points of information or clarification.

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 above (acting on behalf of the Director of Resources) no later than five clear days before the Council meeting – 15 February 2010

13. Wiltshire Police Authority

To receive and note:

- (a) **the minutes of the Wiltshire Police Authority meeting held on 3 December 2009** (*Pages 51 - 56*)
- (b) **the report of the Wiltshire Police Authority** (*Pages 57 - 60*)

14. Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority (*Pages 61 - 68*)

To receive and note the minutes of the Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority meeting held on 17 December 2009

Please note the documents referred to in items 13 (a) and (b) and 14 above 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.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

15. **Notices of Motion**

Council is asked to consider the under mentioned notices of motion on the following subjects received in accordance with paragraph 49 of Part 4 of the Constitution – Rules of Procedure Council: (details of notices of motion in full are attached):

- (a) **No. 8 - Wiltshire 2026 Plan - Chippenham - From Councillor Mark Packard and Councillor Bill Douglas** (*Pages 69 - 72*)
- (b) **No. 9 - Area Boards - From Councillor Chris Caswill and Councillor Trevor Carbin** (*Pages 73 - 74*)
- (c) **No. 10 - Naming of Area Board - From Councillor Peter Colmer and Councillor Bill Douglas** (*Pages 75 - 76*)

16. **Membership of Committees**

To determine any requests from Group Leaders for changes to committee membership in accordance with the allocation of seats to political groups previously approved by Council.

17. **Council - Dates of Meetings**

Recommendation:

That Council approve the following dates for meetings of the Council:

18 May 2010 (Annual Council)

13 July 2010

9 November 2010