

PRAYER

The Reverend Andrew Milton, Team Rector for the Huntingdon Ministry to say a prayer prior to the formal proceedings.

A meeting of **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the **CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **WEDNESDAY, 25 APRIL 2012** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

A G E N D A

	Time Allocation
APOLOGIES	2 minutes
CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	10 minutes
1. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 22)	2 minutes
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd February 2012.	
2. MEMBERS' INTERESTS	2 minutes
To receive from Members declarations as to personal and/or prejudicial interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any Agenda Item. Please see Notes 1 and 2 below.	
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972: SECTION 87 - EARITH WARD	2 minutes
To report that a by-election will be held in the Earith Ward following the death recently of Councillor P M D Godfrey. The by-election will be called once the appropriate requisition has been received.	
4. GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE AND FREEDOM TO PRAY	5 minutes
The Council will be aware that, the High Court recently issued a ruling that 'the saying of prayers as part of the formal meeting of a Council is not lawful under Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972'.	
As a consequence of this ruling and the public response which it generated, the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government chose to make available, with effect from 21st February 2012, to all principal local authorities in England, the general power of competence contained in the Localism Act 2011. This enables the District Council to "do anything that individuals generally may do", provided such act is not outside the law.	
The Secretary of State considers that this new flexibility could include the 'freedom to pray'. As the ruling in the case is now subject to an appeal, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services has advised that it would be prudent for the Council to consider how they would wish this matter to be dealt with at future meetings.	

The options are –

- (i) not to have prayers;
- (ii) to have prayers, but before and not as part of the formal meeting; or
- (iii) to have prayers as part of the formal meeting.

5. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES (Pages 23 - 24) 5 minutes

To consider a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services.

6. "WHAT WILL LOCALISM MEAN TO OUR PARISH COUNCIL?" 60 minutes

To invite the Deputy Leader and Executive Councillor with responsibility for Localism, Councillor N J Guyatt to open the debate.

7. REPORTS OF THE CABINET, PANELS AND COMMITTEE 30 minutes

(a) Cabinet (Pages 25 - 28)

Report of the meeting to be held on 19th April 2012 - to follow.

(b) Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Economic Well-Being) (Pages 29 - 36)

(c) Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Environmental Well-Being) (Pages 37 - 40)

(d) Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Social Well-Being) (Pages 41 - 46)

(e) Development Management Panel (Pages 47 - 50)

(f) Licensing and Protection Panel (Pages 51 - 52)

(g) Corporate Governance Panel (Pages 53 - 104)

(h) Senior Officers' Panel (Pages 105 - 106)

8. ORAL QUESTIONS

In accordance with the Council Procedure Rules (Section 8.3) of the Council's Constitution, to receive oral questions from Members of the Council.

Dated this 17th day of April 2012



Head of Paid Service

Notes

1. *A personal interest exists where a decision on a matter would affect to a greater extent than other people in the District –*
 - (a) *the well-being, financial position, employment or business of the Councillor, their family or any person with whom they had a close association;*
 - (b) *a body employing those persons, any firm in which they are a partner and any company of which they are directors;*
 - (c) *any corporate body in which those persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; or*
 - (d) *the Councillor's registerable financial and other interests.*
2. *A personal interest becomes a prejudicial interest where a member of the public (who has knowledge of the circumstances) would reasonably regard the Member's personal interest as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest.*

Please contact Ms C Deller, Democratic Services Manager, Tel No 01480 388007/e-mail: Christine.Deller@huntingdonshire.gov.uk if you have a general query on any Agenda Item, wish to tender your apologies for absence from the meeting, or would like information on any decision taken by the Council.

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