

A meeting of **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the **CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2016** 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
PRAYER	2 Minutes.
The Venerable Hugh McCurdy, Archdeacon of Huntingdon and Wisbech will open the meeting with prayer.	
APOLOGIES	2 Minutes.
CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	10 Minutes.
1. MINUTES (Pages 7 - 22)	5 Minutes.
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meetings held on 16th December 2015.	
2. MEMBERS INTERESTS	2 Minutes.
To receive from Members, declarations as to disclosable pecuniary or other interests in relation to any Agenda item. See Notes below.	
3. PETITIONS	
(a) 'NO! to 50-60 houses at St Ives Town Football Club'.	
Councillor J W Davies to present a petition on behalf of 543 signatories regarding support for the District Council's decision to refuse the application for 50-60 homes on the site of the St Ives football club. The petition statement is as follows:-	
"We support Huntingdonshire District Council's decision to refuse the application for 50-60 homes on the site of the football club. Furthermore, we object to the football club formally appealing the decision against the wishes of the local community."	
(b) Huntingdonshire Shopmobility	
A petition will be presented on behalf of 502 signatories concerning the decision by the District Council's Cabinet to cease funding to the Huntingdon Shopmobility with no further grant award for 2016/17. The petition statement is as follows:-	
"Hunt's Shopmobility has been in Huntingdon since 2006 providing safe and insured scooters and wheelchairs for members of the public who are either permanently or temporarily mobility impaired.	

On 25th January we were told that our funding from HDC was being withdrawn and that includes our accommodation (the Porta Cabin) in which we are based. We are proposing that HDC reconsider the latter and provide one more year of accommodation giving us the opportunity to find alternative arrangements.”

4. ITEMS FOR DECISION

(a) 2016/17 BUDGET AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY (2017/18 TO 2020/21) (Pages 23 - 128)

The Executive Councillor for Resources, Councillor J A Gray to present the 2016/17 Budget, the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for 2017/18 – 2020/21, the related Prudential Indicators and the Treasury Management Strategy for 2016/17 for approval. In accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Council will be required to approve resolutions as to the levels of Council Tax in 2016/17 for the various parts of Huntingdonshire District. A report by the Head of Resources is enclosed.

60 Minutes.

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, the Council will be asked to resolve that a recorded vote be taken on the conclusion of debate on this item.

(The recommendations of the Cabinet are included within the report of their meeting on 11th February 2016. See item 7a.)

(b) PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2016/17 (Pages 129 - 136)

In compliance with the requirements of Section 38 of the Localism Act 2011, the Executive Councillor for Organisational Development, Councillor S Cawley to present the Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17 to the Council for approval.

5 Minutes.

(The recommendations of the Employment Panel are included in the report of their meeting on 3rd February 2016. See Agenda Item 7b).

(c) ST NEOTS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (Pages 137 - 140)

Following the referendum held on Thursday, 4 February 2016 to consider a report by the Head of Development.

5 Minutes.

(A copy of the St Neots Neighbourhood Plan 2014 – 2029 has been circulated to all Members separately and is available to view on the Council's website).

5. COUNCIL DEBATE - DEVOLUTION IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH 30 Minutes.

The Executive Leader, Councillor J D Ablewhite will open the debate and there will be a presentation from the Managing Director, Mrs Jo Lancaster.

(A copy of the 'Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Devolution Proposal for negotiation with Government' has been circulated to all Members of the Council only).

6. **QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS OF THE CABINET** **15 Minutes.**
7. **REPORTS OF THE CABINET, PANELS AND COMMITTEES** **20 Minutes.**
- (a) Cabinet (Pages 141 - 152)
 - (b) Employment Panel (Pages 153 - 158)
 - (c) Development Management Panel (Pages 159 - 160)
 - (d) Overview and Scrutiny (Finance and Performance) (Pages 161 - 166)
 - (e) Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Communities and Customers) (Pages 167 - 174)
 - (f) Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Economy and Growth) (Pages 175 - 182)
8. **VARIATION TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS, ETC** **5 Minutes.**
- (a) To appoint 8 Members to a working group for the purpose of reviewing electoral arrangements.

(NB – To achieve a political balance the working group should comprise 5 Members from the Conservative Group, 1 Member from the Liberal Democrat Group, 1 Member from the UK Independence Party and 1 Non-aligned Independent).
 - (b) Group Leaders to report on variations to the Membership of Committees and Panels, if necessary.

Dated this 16th day of February 2016



Head of Paid Service

Notes

1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- (1) *Members are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests and unless you have obtained dispensation, cannot discuss or vote on the matter at the meeting and must also leave the room whilst the matter is being debated or voted on.*
- (2) *A Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest if it -*
 - (a) *relates to you, or*
 - (b) *is an interest of -*
 - (i) *your spouse or civil partner; or*
 - (ii) *a person with whom you are living as husband and wife; or*
 - (iii) *a person with whom you are living as if you were civil partners*

and you are aware that the other person has the interest.

- (3) *Disclosable pecuniary interests includes -*
- (a) any employment or profession carried out for profit or gain;
 - (b) any financial benefit received by the Member in respect of expenses incurred carrying out his or her duties as a Member (except from the Council);
 - (c) any current contracts with the Council;
 - (d) any beneficial interest in land/property within the Council's area;
 - (e) any licence for a month or longer to occupy land in the Council's area;
 - (f) any tenancy where the Council is landlord and the Member (or person in (2)(b) above) has a beneficial interest; or
 - (g) a beneficial interest (above the specified level) in the shares of any body which has a place of business or land in the Council's area.

Non-Statutory Disclosable Interests

- (4) *If a Member has a non-statutory disclosable interest then you are required to declare that interest, but may remain to discuss and vote providing you do not breach the overall Nolan principles.*
- (5) *A Member has a non-statutory disclosable interest where -*
- (a) a decision in relation to the business being considered might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing of you or a member of your family or a person with whom you have a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the authority's administrative area, or
 - (b) it relates to or is likely to affect a disclosable pecuniary interest, but in respect of a member of your family (other than specified in (2)(b) above) or a person with whom you have a close association, or
 - (c) it relates to or is likely to affect any body –
 - (i) exercising functions of a public nature; or
 - (ii) directed to charitable purposes; or
 - (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a Member or in a position of control or management.

and that interest is not a disclosable pecuniary interest.

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