

An **EXTRAORDINARY** meeting of **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the **CIVIC SUITE, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY 2017** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

A G E N D A

APOLOGIES

1. MEMBERS INTERESTS'

To receive from Members declarations as to disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any Agenda item. See Notes below.

2. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (Pages 5 - 8)

To elect the Executive Leader of the Council.

(NB: The Executive Leader is elected by the Council from among its membership for a four year term or until that Member's term of office comes to an end as a Councillor, he/she resigns from the office or he/she is removed from office by the Council.)

3. APPOINTMENT OF CABINET AND DEPUTY EXECUTIVE LEADER

The Executive Leader to announce the names of –

- (a) a maximum of nine Councillors who shall be Members of the Cabinet; and
- (b) a Deputy Executive Leader who shall be a Member of the Cabinet.

(NB: The Deputy Executive Leader is appointed by the Executive Leader until the end of the term of office of the Executive Leader, he/she resigns from the office or he/she is removed from office by the Executive Leader.)

4. CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

To consider appointments to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority and one substitute member from the Conservative Group for the remainder of the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

5. VARIATIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

Group Leaders to report on variations to the Membership of Committees and Panels if necessary.

Dated this 18th day of July 2017



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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Public
Key Decision - No

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title/Subject Matter: Election of Executive Leader of the Council
Meeting/Date: Council – 26th July 2017
Executive Portfolio: Executive Leader
Report by: Managing Director
Ward(s) affected: All

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to consider the election of a new Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2017/18 following the resignation of Councillor R B Howe as the current Executive Leader of the Council.

Recommendation:

that a Councillor be appointed Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2017/18.

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to elect a new Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of the 2017/18 Municipal Year in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and the Council's Constitution.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 As a result of the implementation of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority and the appointment of Councillor R B Howe as Deputy Mayor of the Combined Authority, the decision has been taken by Councillor Howe to resign from his position as Executive Leader to properly fulfil his duties and responsibilities in his new role on the Combined Authority.

3. WHAT ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN

- 3.1 It is convention for the Executive Leader of the Council to be selected from the largest political group on the Council.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Under normal circumstances an Executive Leader is elected to serve for a four year term, or until that Member's term of office comes to an end as a councillor, or they resign from the office as a councillor, or is removed from office as a councillor by the Council. As the Council is moving to whole Council elections with effect from May 2018, the new Executive Leader will be appointed until May 2018.
- 4.2 Despite the fact that a Deputy Leader is appointed to support this role in their absence, there remains a requirement to elect an Executive Leader following a vacancy in this position on the Council.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None

6. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDED DECISIONS

- 6.1 As a result of the resignation of Councillor Howe from his position as Executive Leader it is necessary for the Council to elect a new Executive Leader for the remainder of the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007

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