



A meeting of **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held in the **BURGESS HALL, WESTWOOD ROAD, ST IVES PE27 6WU** on **WEDNESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2022** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

AGENDA

1. PRAYER

The Reverend Jon Randell, Vicar of Huntingdon will open the meeting with prayer.

APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES (Pages 7 - 16)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2021.

Time Allocation: 2 Minutes.

3. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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

Time Allocation: 2 Minutes.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Pages 17 - 18)

To note the Chairman's engagements since the last Council meeting.

Time Allocation: 5 Minutes.

5. FINAL 2022/23 REVENUE BUDGET & MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY (2023/24 TO 2026/27) (Pages 19 - 172)

The Executive Councillor for Strategic Finance, Councillor J A Gray to present for approval –

- ❖ The 2022/23 Budget and the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for 2023/24 to 2026/27

- ❖ The Fees and Charges Schedule for 2022/23
- ❖ The Treasury Management Strategy, the Capital Strategy and the Investment Strategy including the annual prudential indicators for 2022/23;
- ❖ The Annual Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement 2022/23;
- ❖ The formal resolution to determine the Council Tax for 2022/23.

In accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Act 1992, the Council will be required to approve resolutions as to the levels of Council Tax in 2021/22.

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 the debate on this item.

(The reports were considered by the Cabinet at their meeting on 10th February 2022 and it was agreed that they should be recommended to Council for approval).

(Leaders of Opposition Groups will have a right of reply).

*(Notes: 30 Minutes Presentation
30 Minutes for Questions)*

Time Allocation: 60 Minutes.

6. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2022-23 (Pages 173 - 182)

In compliance with the requirements of Section 38-43 of the Localism Act 2011, the Executive Councillor for Corporate Services, Councillor D Keane to present the Pay Policy Statement to the Council for approval.

(The Statement was endorsed by the Employment Committee at their meeting on 9th February 2022).

Time Allocation: 5 Minutes.

7. MODEL COUNCILLOR CODE OF CONDUCT (Pages 183 - 256)

Councillor G J Bull, Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee to present a report seeking the approval and adoption of the Local Government Association Model Code of Conduct for implementation from May 2022.

(The Corporate Governance Committee at their meeting on 26th January 2022 endorsed the recommendations).

Time Allocation: 10 Minutes.

8. LEAD AND DEPUTY INDEPENDENT PERSONS (Pages 257 - 260)

Councillor G J Bull, Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee to present a report seeking the re-appointment of the Lead and Deputy Lead Independent Persons for a two-year period to 30th April 2024.

(The Corporate Governance Committee at their meeting on 26th January 2022 endorsed the recommendations).

Time Allocation: 5 Minutes.

9. INVITATION TO BECOME AN OPTED IN AUTHORITY: THE LOCAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT 2014 AND THE LOCAL AUDIT (APPOINTING PERSON) REGULATIONS 2015 (Pages 261 - 270)

Councillor G J Bull, Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee to present a report inviting Council to opt into the national scheme by Public Sector Audit Appointments for the appointment of external auditors.

(The Corporate Governance Committee at their meeting on 26th January 2022 endorsed the recommendations).

Time Allocation: 10 Minutes.

10. PROPOSAL TO UPLIFT THE CODE OF PROCUREMENT THRESHOLDS (Pages 271 - 298)

Councillor G J Bull, Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee to present a report seeking approval to make changes to the Council's Code of Procurement.

(The Corporate Governance Committee at their meeting on 26th January 2022 endorsed the recommendations).

Time Allocation: 10 Minutes.

11. GRAFHAM AND ELLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (Pages 299 - 392)

Following the Grafham and Ellington Neighbourhood Plan Referendum held on Thursday 27th January 2022, the Deputy Leader and Executive Councillor for Strategic Planning to present a report seeking approval to make the Grafham and Ellington Neighbourhood Plan to enable it to become part of the Statutory Development Plan for Huntingdonshire.

Time Allocation: 10 Minutes.

12. QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

In accordance with the Council Procedure Rules, all questions –

- ❖ Must be relevant to an item which the Council has powers or duties;
- ❖ Must not relate to an item which is included elsewhere on the Agenda
- ❖ Should be limited to obtaining information or pressing for actions; and
- ❖ Should not exceed two minutes in duration.

Questions should not divulge or require to be divulged, confidential or exempt information.

Time Allocation: 15 Minutes.

13. CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY - UPDATE (Pages 393 - 410)

Councillor R Fuller, Executive Leader to present on the activities of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.

Councillors S J Corney and D B Dew to provide an update on the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Councillor G J Bull to provide an update on the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Audit and Governance Committee.

Decision summaries for recent meetings of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Audit and Governance Committee and Board are attached to the Agenda for information.

In accordance with the Protocol agreed at the February 2017 meeting, this item provides an opportunity for District Council Members to ask questions and comment on Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority issues.

If Members wish to raise questions or issues requiring a detailed response, it would be helpful if they can provide prior notice so that the necessary information can be obtained in advance of the meeting.

Time Allocation: 20 Minutes.

14. OUTCOMES FROM COMMITTEES AND PANELS (Pages 411 - 414)

An opportunity for Members to raise any issues or ask questions arising from recent meetings of the Council's Committees and Panels.

A list of meetings held since the last Council meeting is attached for information and Members are requested to address their questions to Committee and Panel Chairmen.

Time Allocation: 10 Minutes.

15. VARIATIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

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

Time Allocation: 5 Minutes.

15th day of February 2022



Head of Paid Service

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Specific enquiries with regard to items on the Agenda should be directed towards the Contact Officer.

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