

EAST HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of East Hertfordshire District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Wallfields, Hertford on Wednesday 19th February, 2014 at 7.00 pm, for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the Agenda below, and you are hereby summoned to attend.

Dated this 6th day of February 2014

Jeff Hughes
Head of Democratic and
Legal Support Services

Note: Prayers will be said before the meeting commences. Those Members who do not wish to participate will be invited to enter the Chamber at their conclusion.

AGENDA

1. Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements.

2. Minutes (Pages 7 - 14)

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 29 January 2014.

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive any Members' declarations of interest.

4. Petitions

To receive any petitions.

5. Public Questions

To receive any public questions.

6. East & North Hertfordshire NHS Trust: Update and Forward Look

To receive a presentation from Nick Carver and Sarah Brierley.

7. Members' questions

To receive any Members' questions.

8. Executive Report - 4 February 2014

To receive a report (to follow) from the Leader of the Council and to consider recommendations on the matters below:

(A) Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2014/15

(B) Capital Programme 2013/14 (Revised) to 2016/17

(C) Fees and Charges 2014/15

(D) Revenue Estimates, Services - 2013/14 Probable, 2014/15 Estimate

(E) Consolidated Budget report 2014/15 and Medium Term Financial Plan

(F) Hertford Theatre Seating Refurbishment

Note – Members are asked to bring their copy of the Executive agenda to the meeting.

9. Development Management Committee: Minutes - 30 January 2014 (Pages 15 - 26)

Chairman: Councillor Mrs R Cheswright

10. Development Management Committee: Minutes - 5 February 2014

*Chairman: Councillor Mrs R Cheswright
(to follow)*

11. Joint meeting of Scrutiny Committees: Minutes - 11 February 2014

(to follow)

12. Members Allowances Scheme 2014/15 (Pages 27 - 42)

To receive a report from the Independent Remuneration Panel.

13. Motions on Notice

To receive Motions on Notice.

DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

1. A Member, present at a meeting of the Authority, or any committee, sub-committee, joint committee or joint sub-committee of the Authority, with a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) in any matter to be considered or being considered at a meeting:
 - must not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting;
 - must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting;
 - must disclose the interest to the meeting, whether registered or not, subject to the provisions of section 32 of the Localism Act 2011;
 - if the interest is not registered and is not the subject of a pending notification, must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days;
 - must leave the room while any discussion or voting takes place.

2. A DPI is an interest of a Member or their partner (which means spouse or civil partner, a person with whom they are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were civil partners) within the descriptions as defined in the Localism Act 2011.

3. The Authority may grant a Member dispensation, but only in limited circumstances, to enable him/her to participate and vote on a matter in which they have a DPI.

4. It is a criminal offence to:

- fail to disclose a disclosable pecuniary interest at a meeting if it is not on the register;
- fail to notify the Monitoring Officer, within 28 days, of a DPI that is not on the register that a Member disclosed to a meeting;
- participate in any discussion or vote on a matter in which a Member has a DPI;
- knowingly or recklessly provide information that is false or misleading in notifying the Monitoring Officer of a DPI or in disclosing such interest to a meeting.

(Note: The criminal penalties available to a court are to impose a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale and disqualification from being a councillor for up to 5 years.)