


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 Tuesday 7th August, 2012 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 25th day of July 2012.



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 - 16)

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 4 July 2012.

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. Members' questions

To receive any Members' questions.

7. Executive Report - 10 July 2012 (Pages 17 - 24)

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

(A) Bishop's Stortford Town Centre Boundary

Minute 143 refers.

(B) East Herts Communication Strategy 2012

Minute 144 refers.

(C) Pedestrianised/Shared Space proposals for an Area of Bishop's Stortford Town Centre

Minute 145 refers.

(D) General Fund Revenue and Capital Outturn 2011/12

Minute 146 refers.

8. Executive Report - 31 July 2012

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

- (A) Local Development Scheme (LDS) Version 4 (August 2012)
- (B) Sub-District Population and Household Forecasts – Parish Groupings and Towns: Phase 1 (May 2012)
- (C) Strategic Land Availability Assessment – Stage 2 – Update Report
- (D) District Plan Part 1 – Strategy Supporting Document – Update Report
- (E) District Plan Part 1 – Strategy Supporting Document – Material Changes to Draft Topic Assessments
- (F) District Plan Part 1 – Strategy Supporting Document – Chapter 4: Places and Next Steps

9. Standards Committee: Minutes - 29 June 2012 (Pages 25 - 32)

Chairman: Mr T Vickers

10. Human Resources Committee: Minutes - 11 July 2012 (Pages 33 - 42)

Chairman: Councillor C Woodward

11. Audit Committee: Minutes - 11 July 2012 (Pages 43 - 50)

Chairman: Councillor J Ranger

12. Licensing Committee: Minutes - 12 July 2012 (Pages 51 - 60)

Chairman: Councillor Mrs R Cheswright

13. Corporate Business Scrutiny Committee: Minutes - 17 July 2012 (Pages 61 - 68)

Chairman: Councillor D Andrews

14. Development Control Committee: Minutes - 18 July 2012

Chairman: Councillor S Rutland-Barsby (to follow)

15. 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.)