

EAST HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of East Hertfordshire District Council will be held in the Online meeting - Livestreamed on Tuesday 2nd March, 2021 at 7.00 pm, for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the Agenda below, and you are hereby summoned to attend.

22 February 2021

James Ellis
Head of Legal and
Democratic 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. Apologies for Absence

To receive any Members' apologies for absence.

3. Minutes - 13 January 2021 (Pages 9 - 26)

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 13 January 2021.

4. Declarations of Interest

To receive any Members' declarations of interest.

5. Petitions

To receive any petitions.

6. Public Questions

To receive any public questions.

7. Members' questions (Pages 27 - 30)

To receive any Members' questions.

8. Executive Report - 24 November 2020 (Pages 31 - 60)

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

(A) Gilston Area Community Engagement Strategy

9. Executive report - 19 February 2021 (Pages 61 - 580)

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

(A) Cultural Strategy

(B) Sustainability Supplementary Planning Document – Final for Adoption

(C) Planning Enforcement Plan – Review and Update

10. Millstream Business Plan 2021/22 and Council Cashflows (Pages 581 - 614)
11. Budget 2021/22 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2021-24 (Pages 615 - 698)
12. Council Tax 2021/22 - Tax Setting Formal Resolution

Report to follow

13. Capital Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Policy 2021/22 (Pages 699 - 762)
14. Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategy 2021/22 (Pages 763 - 838)
15. Human Resources Committee - 16 February 2021 (Pages 839 - 862)
16. Community Grants Priorities 2021/22 (Pages 863 - 904)
17. Motions on Notice

To receive Motions on Notice.

- (A) Motions on notice - Reducing carbon emissions in existing housing stock and commercial buildings_(Pages 905 - 906)

To consider a motion on notice proposed by Councillor Terence Beckett and seconded by Councillor Mione Goldspink

18. Exclusion of the press and public

To move that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the

discussion of the appendix of item 10, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act of the following description: in that it includes sensitive commercial information.

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.)

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