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## Notice of Meeting

### To All Members of Chichester District Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **THE COUNCIL** which will be held in **Virtual** on **Tuesday 24 November 2020** at **2.00 pm** for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda below.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Diane Shepherd'.

**DIANE SHEPHERD**  
Chief Executive

**16 November 2020**

### AGENDA

- 1 **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 10)  
The Council is requested to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2020.
- 2 **Urgent Items**  
The Chair will announce any urgent items which due to special circumstances are to be dealt with under Late Items.
- 3 **Declarations of Interests**  
Members and officers are reminded to make any declarations of disclosable pecuniary, personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in respect of matters on the agenda for this meeting.
- 4 **Chair's Announcements**  
Apologies for absence will be notified at this point.  
  
The Chair will make any specific announcements.
- 5 **Public Question Time**  
In accordance with Chichester District Council's scheme for public question time as amended by Full Council on 24 September 2019 the Council will receive any questions which have been submitted by members of the public in writing by noon two working days before the meeting. Each questioner will be given up to three minutes to ask their question. The total time allocated for public question time is 15 minutes subject to the Chairman's discretion to extend that period.

## RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE CABINET

The Council is requested to consider the following recommendations of the Cabinet requiring the approval of the Council.

The reports giving rise to these recommendations are in the papers for the meeting of the Cabinet on 3 November 2020. These are available in the committee papers section of the Council's website.

### 6 **Allocation of Commuted Sums to Deliver Affordable Housing**

The material relevant to this item can be found on pages 7-9 of the Cabinet agenda pack for 3 November 2020.

The following recommendations were made to Council:

1. The allocation of commuted sums of £100,000 to Stonepillow to enable the acquisition of a property in Chichester to provide move-on accommodation for Rough Sleepers.
2. The allocation of commuted sums of £100,000 to Chichester Greyfriars Housing Association to support the construction of five one bedroom flats at Royal Close, Chichester.

### 7 **Determination of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2021-2022**

The material relevant to this item can be found on pages 11-13 of the Cabinet agenda pack for 3 November 2020 (the appendix can be found in the supplementary pack for the same meeting).

The following recommendation was made to Council:

That the proposed Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2021-2022 be approved by Full Council.

### 8 **Covid Recovery Grants**

The material relevant to this item can be found on pages 15-18 of the Cabinet agenda pack for 3 November 2020.

The following recommendation was made to Council:

That the merge of the Community Recovery Grants Fund and Economic Recovery Grants Fund be approved.

### 9 **Revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2020-2022 - Licensing Act 2003 & Revised Sex Establishment Policy 2020-2025 - Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982**

The material relevant to this item can be found on pages 19-22 of the Cabinet agenda pack for 3 November 2020 (the appendices and background papers are available in the supplement packs).

The following recommendations were made to Council:

1. That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy for the period 2020-2022 and revised Sex Establishment Policy for the period 2020-2025 be approved and referred to Council for consideration on 24 November 2020.
2. That, subject to consideration of any comments referred by Cabinet, the revised Statement of Licensing Policy for the period 2020-2022 and revised Sex Establishment Policy for the period 2020-2025 is approved for subsequent publication.

### **MOTIONS PROPOSED IN ADVANCE BY MEMBERS**

#### **10 Motion submitted by Cllr Bowden**

Having complied with the Motions Procedure as set out in the council's Constitution the motion below will be proposed by Cllr Bowden and if duly seconded it will then be discussed at this meeting:

*This Council has serious concerns about the performance of the Statutory Wastewater Company for this District, Southern Water, and in particular:*

- *Currently, in the light of known Wastewater Treatment capacity limitations at seven of the District's ten Wastewater Treatment Works, about Southern Water's normal response to Planning Application consultations, that it can connect the proposed unplanned developments, without apparent regard to the cumulative capacity effect of developments already permitted and planned, including those in neighbouring Districts (Havant and Arun) that share two of the Works;*
- *In the immediate future, the Council therefore has well-founded doubts about the capability of Southern Water (whether financial or otherwise) to build in good time the greatly enhanced wastewater treatment capacity that will be required to provide for the needs of the District's new residents foreseen, and required by HM Government, in the Local Plan Review;*
- *In the medium term, 1) five of the ten Wastewater Treatment works will be at risk of inundation from rising sea-levels due to Climate Change, and 2) there is a clear risk of outflow of Nitrates to Pagham Harbour; but the Council has no evidence of any plan by Southern Water to address either of these risks;*
- *and accordingly the Council requests the Leader and Chief Executive Officer to write to OFWAT to detail our concerns and call on the Regulator to intervene.*

#### **11 Motion submitted by Cllr O'Kelly**

Having complied with the Motions Procedure as set out in the council's Constitution the motion below will be proposed by Cllr O'Kelly and if duly seconded it will then be discussed at this meeting:

*In 2006 the UN Principles of Responsible Investment (UNPRI) were introduced. Niche at the time, they now have mainstream adoption, with thousands of asset managers and owners from across the world signed up. The West Sussex County Council Pension scheme has recently signed up too.*

*This Council welcomes the fact that the United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment are being increasingly adopted, including:*

- *incorporating environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues into investment analysis and decision making,*
- *being active owners,*
- *seeking disclosure of ESG issues, and*
- *promoting the principles within the industry.*

*This council agreed to consider ESG options in its Treasury Management Investment Strategy for 2020/21. Signing up to UNPRI is a further, logical step on this pathway towards making ethical investment decisions.*

*This Council therefore calls on the Cabinet Member for Finance to ask the Council's investment advisers to ensure they follow the United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment for all of the Council's investments. This will ensure that CDC achieves a more ethical investment policy by incorporating matters like human rights and environmental issues, such as reducing reliance on fossil fuels (in line with the Council's Climate Change Strategy), into its investment decisions.*

## **OTHER REPORTS**

### **12 Review of Political Balance and Committee Appointments (Pages 11 - 15)**

The report for this item is attached. Members are requested to agree the following recommendations:

1. the review of political balance arrangements to be submitted and settled at the meeting be approved; and
2. that membership of committees and sub committees be approved by members at the meeting; and
3. the calculations set out in this report are applied in making appointments to committees.
4. that chairman responsibilities of committees and sub committees be approved by members at the meeting.

### **13 Questions to the Executive**

Members are invited to ask a question of a member of the Executive (maximum of 40 minutes duration).

### **14 Late Items**

To consider any late items as follows:

- a) Items added to the agenda papers and made available for public inspection.
- b) Items which the Chair has agreed should be taken as matters of urgency by reason of special circumstances to be reported at the meeting.

### **15 Exclusion of the press and public**

The Council is asked to consider in respect of agenda item 16 whether the public, including the press, should be excluded from the meeting on the grounds of exemption under Parts I to 7 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972,

as indicated against the item and because, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption of that information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

16 **Southern Gateway Regeneration Project**

The papers for this report will be available to members in the Special Cabinet agenda for 24 November 2020.

NOTES

The press and public may be excluded from the meeting during any item of business wherever it is likely that there would be disclosure of "exempt information" as defined in section 100A of and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

**MEMBERS**

Mrs E Hamilton

Mrs C Apel

Mrs T Bangert

Mr G Barrett

Miss H Barrie

Mr M Bell

Rev J H Bowden

Mr R Briscoe

Mr J Brown

Mr A Dignum

Mrs J Duncton

Mr J Elliott

Mr G Evans

Mrs J Fowler

Mrs N Graves

Mr F Hobbs

Mr K Hughes

Mrs D Johnson

Mr T Johnson

Mrs E Lintill

Mrs S Lishman

Mr G McAra

Mr A Moss

Mr S Oakley

Dr K O'Kelly

Mr C Page

Mr D Palmer

Mrs P Plant

Mr R Plowman

Mr H Potter

Mrs C Purnell

Mr D Rodgers

Mrs S Sharp

Mr A Sutton

Mrs S Taylor

Mr P Wilding