

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in The John Meikle Room, The Deane House, Belvedere Road, Taunton on 29 January 2015 at 19:30.

Agenda

The meeting will be preceded by a Prayer to be offered by the Mayor's Chaplain.

- 1 To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2 To receive any communications.
- 3 Declaration of Interests
To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and personal or prejudicial interests, in accordance with the Code of Conduct. The usual declarations made at meeting of Full Council are set out in the attachment.
- 4 To receive questions from Taunton Deane Electors under Standing Order 15.
- 5 To receive any petitions or deputations from Taunton Deane Electors under Standing Orders 16 and 17.

The following items are likely to be considered after the exclusion of the press and public because of the likelihood that exempt information would otherwise be disclosed relating to the Clause set out below of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

- 6 Proposed sale of a site at Priory Way, Taunton. To consider recommendations from the meeting of the Executive held immediately before the meeting of Full Council (attached). A copy of the Executive's agenda and report has been circulated to all Members.
Paragraph 3 - Information relating to financial or business affairs.

Bruce Lang
Assistant Chief Executive

17 August 2016

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and listen to the discussions.

There is time set aside at the beginning of most meetings to allow the public to ask questions.

Speaking under “Public Question Time” is limited to 4 minutes per person in an overall period of 15 minutes. The Committee Administrator will keep a close watch on the time and the Chairman will be responsible for ensuring the time permitted does not overrun. The speaker will be allowed to address the Committee once only and will not be allowed to participate further in any debate.

Except at meetings of Full Council, where public participation will be restricted to Public Question Time only, if a member of the public wishes to address the Committee on any matter appearing on the agenda, the Chairman will normally permit this to occur when that item is reached and before the Councillors begin to debate the item.

This is more usual at meetings of the Council’s Planning Committee and details of the “rules” which apply at these meetings can be found in the leaflet “Having Your Say on Planning Applications”. A copy can be obtained free of charge from the Planning Reception Desk at The Deane House or by contacting the telephone number or e-mail address below.

If an item on the agenda is contentious, with a large number of people attending the meeting, a representative should be nominated to present the views of a group.

These arrangements do not apply to exempt (confidential) items on the agenda where any members of the press or public present will be asked to leave the Committee Room.

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Council Members:-

Councillor V Stock-Williams (Chairman and Mayor of Taunton Deane)
Councillor H Prior-Sankey (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor J Adkins
Councillor J Allgrove
Councillor J Baker
Councillor A Beaven
Councillor C Bishop
Councillor R Bowrah, BEM
Councillor N Cavill
Councillor S Coles
Councillor B Denington
Councillor D Durdan
Councillor K Durdan
Councillor M Edwards
Councillor H Farbahi
Councillor M Floyd
Councillor J Gaden
Councillor E Gaines
Councillor A Govier
Councillor J Govier
Councillor T Hall
Councillor K Hayward
Councillor R Henley
Councillor C Herbert
Councillor C Hill
Councillor M Hill
Councillor J Horsley
Councillor J Hunt
Councillor L James
Councillor R Lees
Councillor S Lees
Councillor L Lisgo, MBE
Councillor J Meikle, MBE
Councillor N Messenger
Councillor I Morrell
Councillor B Nottrodt
Councillor U Palmer
Councillor D Reed
Councillor J Reed
Councillor S Ross
Councillor T Slattery
Councillor G Slattery
Councillor Miss F Smith
Councillor (Historic) F Smith
Councillor F Smith
Councillor P Smith
Councillor P Stone
Councillor B Swaine
Councillor P Tooze

Councillor J Warmington
Councillor P Watson
Councillor (Historic)Mrs E Waymouth
Councillor D Webber
Councillor A Wedderkopp
Councillor D Wedderkopp
Councillor J Williams - Leader of the Council
Councillor G Wren

Usual Declarations of Interest by Councillors

Full Council

- **Members of Somerset County Council – Councillors Mrs Baker, Coles, A Govier, Henley, Hunt, Prior-Sankey, A Wedderkopp and D Wedderkopp**
- **Employee of Somerset County Council – Councillor Mrs Hill**
- **Employee of Job Centre Plus – Councillor Henley**
- **Employee of the Department of Work and Pensions – Councillor Mrs Herbert**
- **Employee of UK Hydrographic Office – Councillor Tooze**
- **Clerk to Milverton Parish Council – Councillor Wren**
- **Somerset Waste Board representatives – Councillors Hunt and Ross**
- **Director of Southwest One – Councillor Nottrodt**
- **Alternate Director of Southwest One – Councillor Ross**
- **Tone Leisure Board representatives – Councillors D Durdan and Stone**
- **Part-time Swimming Instructor – Councillor Swaine**
- **Member of the Board of Governors at Somerset College – Councillor Gill Slattery**
- **Patron of Supporters, Taunton Women’s Aid – Councillor Gill Slattery**
- **Representative on the Parrett Internal Drainage Board – Councillor Gill Slattery**

- **Director of Tone FM – Councillor Ms Lisgo**
- **Owner of land in Taunton Deane – Councillor Farbahi**

Taunton Deane Borough Council

At a meeting of Taunton Deane Borough Council held in the John Meikle Room, The Deane House, Belvedere Road, Taunton on 29 January 2015 at 7.50 p.m.

Present The Mayor (Councillor D Durdan)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mrs Hill)
Councillors Mrs Adkins, Mrs Allgrove, Beaven, Bowrah, Cavill, Coles, Denington, Miss Durdan, Farbahi, Mrs Floyd, Gaines, Hall, Hayward, Mrs Herbert, C Hill, Horsley, Miss James, R Lees, Mrs Lees, Ms Lisgo, Meikle, Morrell, Nottrodt, Ms Palmer, D Reed, Mrs Reed, Ross, Miss Smith, Mrs Smith, P Smith, Mrs Stock-Williams, Stone, Mrs Warmington, Watson, Mrs Waymouth, A Wedderkopp, D Wedderkopp, Williams and Wren

1. Apologies

Councillors Mrs Baker, Bishop, Edwards, A Govier, Mrs Govier, Henley, Hunt and Tooze.

2. Declaration of Interests

Councillors Coles, A Wedderkopp and D Wedderkopp declared personal interests as Members of Somerset County Council. Councillor Mrs Hill declared a personal interest as an employee of Somerset County Council. Councillor Wren declared a personal interest as Clerk to Milverton Parish Council. Councillor Nottrodt declared a personal interest as a Director of Southwest One. Councillors D Durdan and Stone declared prejudicial interests as Tone Leisure Board representatives. Councillor Farbahi declared a personal interest as a local owner of land in Taunton Deane. Councillor Mrs Herbert declared a personal interest as an employee of the Department of Work and Pensions. Councillor Ms Lisgo declared a personal interest as a Director of Tone FM.

3. Public Question Time

Mr Nigel Behan referred to the future of Southwest One (SW1) and in particular to the media reports that Avon and Somerset Police and Wiltshire Police were moving towards sharing services (IT, HR and Payroll etc.).

- (a) Was Taunton Deane Borough Council (TDBC) (as a partner in the Joint Venture Company-Somerset County Council, Taunton Deane Borough Council, Avon and Somerset Police and IBM - known as SW1) consulted?
- (b) Had this been included in the Corporate Risk Log?
- (c) What steps were being taken to ensure there is no detriment to Taunton Deane Borough Council?
- (d) What progress was being made to bring back (insource) services from SW1 as the contract ends in 2017?"

In response, Councillor Mrs Stock-Williams stated that:-

- (i) The Council had not been consulted;
- (ii) The matter had not been added to the Risk Log yet. A review would be undertaken shortly and the Risk Log updated as necessary;
- (iii) Discussions on the proposed sharing of services by the two Police Authorities began yesterday and continuing engagement would take place; and
- (iv) Various options were being looked at with regard to 2017.

4. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item because of the likelihood that exempt information would otherwise be disclosed relating to Clause 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 and the public interest in withholding the information outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information to the public.

5. **Proposed sale of a site at Priory Way, Taunton**

Considered report previously circulated, which sought permission to sell a site at Priory Way Taunton. The report had been considered by the Executive at its meeting immediately beforehand.

The proposed sale was based on the asset being oversized for the current use and the need for significant investment to bring the asset to a standard fit for the next 10-20 years of operation.

There was a known shortage of available employment land in Taunton and this impacted on local businesses when looking to expand their current operation. In the case of the preferred bidder there was a real chance that these businesses would be lost from Taunton if a sale could not be agreed.

Details of the preferred bidder and the bidding process that was used following the agreed marketing of the site was identified in the report.

The preferred bidder's price remained subject to vacant possession and planning.

Following detailed discussion, the Executive had recommended Full Council to support:-

- (a) The sale of the site at Priory Way, Taunton to the preferred bidder delegating authority to officers, the Portfolio Holder and the Shadow Portfolio Holder to negotiate the most appropriate conditions for this Council;
- (b) The urgent work required to determine the future operating location of the present occupiers of the site;

- (c) The underwriting of the preferred bidder's third party costs that were reasonably incurred specifically relating to planning applications on this site up to £35,000. (This would only be applicable if the alternative condition could be agreed); and
- (d) The capital receipt from the sale of the site being ring-fenced for the provision of a new site for the present occupiers, with any surplus being returned to General Reserves.

During the discussion, Members agreed that any surplus from the capital receipt obtained from the proposed sale should be used towards the provision of replacement temporary accommodation.

Resolved that it be agreed to support:-

- (a) The sale of the site at Priory Way, Taunton to the preferred bidder delegating authority to officers, the Portfolio Holder and the Shadow Portfolio Holder to negotiate the most appropriate conditions for this Council;
- (b) The urgent work required to determine the future operating location of the present occupiers of the site;
- (c) The underwriting of the preferred bidder's third party costs that were reasonably incurred specifically relating to planning applications on this site up to £35,000. (This would only be applicable if the alternative condition could be agreed); and
- (d) The capital receipt from the sale of the site being ring-fenced for the provision of a new site for the present occupiers, with any surplus being allocated towards the provision of replacement temporary accommodation.

(The meeting ended at 8.25 p.m.)