

WEST SOMERSET DISTRICT COUNCIL

Meeting to be held on Wednesday 21 March 2012 at 4.30 pm

Council Chamber, Williton

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 29 February 2012 to be approved and signed as a correct record – **SEE ATTACHED.**

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive and record any declarations of interest in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.

4. Public Participation

The Chairman to advise the Committee of any items on which members of the public have requested to speak and advise those members of the public present of the details of the Council's public participation scheme.

For those members of the public wishing to speak at this meeting there are a few points you might like to note.

A three-minute time limit applies to each speaker and you will be asked to speak before Councillors debate the issue. There will be no further opportunity for comment at a later stage. Your comments should be addressed to the Chairman and any ruling made by the Chair is not open to discussion. If a response is needed it will be given either orally at the meeting or a written reply made within five working days of the meeting.

5. Chairman's Announcements

6. Timetable of Meetings 2011/2012

To consider the proposed timetable of meetings for the 2012/13 Municipal Year – **SEE ATTACHED**

7. Pay Policy Statement 2012/13

To consider Report No. WSC 33/12, to be presented by Martin Griffin, HR Consultant – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to seek approval from Council for the 2012/13 Pay Policy Statement and the Honorarium and Acting Up Policy, which is contained within the Statement.

8. Hinkley Point C Development – Financial Update – Examination Period

To consider Report No. WSC 43/12, to be presented by Councillor T Taylor, Leader of Council – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update on the current financial situation relating to the Council's ability to participate in the Examination of the Development Consent Order (DCO) application, covering the period April 2012 until a decision from the Secretary of State.

9. Somerset Local Access Forum

To consider Report No. WSC 34/12, to be presented by Councillor C Morgan, Lead Member for Environment – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to consider appointing a Councillor from West Somerset Council to be the District Council representative on the Somerset Local Access Forum.

10. Treasury Management Strategy Statement, MRP Policy and Annual Investment Strategy 2012-13

To consider Report No. WSC 52/12, to be presented by Councillor K V Kravis, Lead Member for Resources & Central Support – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to inform Council of the proposed Treasury Management Strategy, Minimum Revenue Policy and Annual Investment Strategy for 2012-2013 in line with the CLG's Guidance on Local Government Investments ("the Guidance") and the 2011 revised CIPFA Treasury Management in Public Services Code of Practice and Cross Sectoral Guidance Notes ("the CIPFA TM Code").

11. Somerset Armed Forces Community Covenant

To consider Report No. WSC 42/12, to be presented by Councillor G S Dowding, West Somerset Member Champion for the Armed Forces – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to update the Council on this new initiative and seek endorsement for the action taken to date and future commitment to the partnership.

12. Refresh of Health & Safety Policy and Associated Procedure

To consider Report No. WSC 50/12, to be presented by Councillor K Kravis, Lead Member for Resources and Central Support – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to update the Council's Health and Safety Policy and the Violence and Aggression to Staff Procedure.

13. Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act 2005 – Dog (Exclusion) Orders

To consider Report No. WSC 51/12, to be presented by Councillor D J Westcott, Lead Member for Community & Customer – **SEE ATTACHED.**

The purpose of the report is to outline the current provisions of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 in respect of the Dog Exclusion Orders implemented across the District in 2010, and set out proposals for the creation of a new Dog Exclusion Order replacing the 2010 Order.

14. Minutes and Notes for Information

Notes and minutes relating to this item can be found on the Council's website using the following link: <http://www.westsomersetonline.gov.uk/Council---Democracy/Council-Meetings/Full-Council/Full-Council---21-March-2012>

- Hinkley Point – Somerset Nuclear Energy Group (SNEG) held on 17 January 2012 – **DISTRIBUTED VIA EMAIL.**

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