

Agenda for Council Wednesday, 23rd October, 2019, 6.00 pm

To: All elected Members of the Council; Honorary Aldermen

Venue: Council Chamber, Blackdown House, Honiton

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Dear Sir/Madam

Meeting of the Council of the District of East Devon on Wednesday, 23rd October, 2019 at 6.00 pm

You are called upon to attend the above meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Blackdown House, Honiton. It is proposed that the matters set out on the agenda below will be considered at the meeting and resolution or resolutions passed as the Council considers expedient.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "M. Howl", written in a cursive style.

Chief Executive

1 **Public speaking**

Information on [public speaking](#) is available online

2 **Minutes of the previous meeting** (Pages 7 - 17)

3 **Apologies**

4 **Declarations of interest**

Guidance is available online to Councillors and co-opted members on making [declarations of interest](#)

5 **Matters of urgency**

Information on [matters of urgency](#) is available online

6 **Announcements from the Chairman and Leader**

7 Confidential/exempt item(s)

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the Press) have been excluded. There are no items which officers recommend should be dealt with in this way, but if confidential minutes from Cabinet and/or the Council's Committees are being discussed, Officers may recommend consideration in the private part of the meeting.

8 To answer questions asked by Members of the Council pursuant to Procedure Rules No. 9.2 and 9.5 (Pages 18 - 34)

9 Reports from the Cabinet and the Council's Committees and questions on those reports (Pages 35 - 36)

- a) Minutes of Cabinet held on 4 September 2019 Minute numbers 36 - 54 (Pages 37 - 45)
- b) Minutes of Cabinet held on 2 October Minute numbers 55 - 73 (Pages 46 - 52)
- c) Minutes of Scrutiny Committee held on 18 July Minute numbers 11 - 20 (Pages 53 - 56)
- d) Minutes of Joint meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees held on 5 September 2019 Minute numbers 1- 7 (Pages 57 - 67)
- e) Minutes of Scrutiny Committee held on 3 October 2019 Minute numbers 21 - 30 (Pages 68 - 73)
- f) Minutes of Overview Committee held on 27 June Minute numbers 1 - 8 (Pages 74 - 78)
- g) Minutes of Overview Committee held on 25 July 2019 Minute numbers 9 - 18 (Pages 79 - 86)
- h) Minutes of Overview held on 29 August 2019 Minute numbers 19 - 27 (Pages 87 - 95)
- i) Minutes of Housing Review Board held on 12 August 2019 Minute numbers 22 - 28 (Pages 96 - 98)
- j) Minutes of Housing Review Board held on 19 September 2019 Minute numbers 29 - 44 (Pages 99 - 105)
- k) Minutes of Strategic Planning Committee held on 20 August Minute numbers 9 - 17 (Pages 106 - 111)
- l) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 9 July Minute numbers 17 - 29 (Pages 112 - 117)

- m) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 6 August 2019
Minute numbers 30 - 40 (Pages 118 - 122)
- n) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 3 September
2019 Minute numbers 41 - 50 (Pages 123 - 127)
- o) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 1 October 2019
Minute numbers 51 - 60 (Pages 128 - 132)
- p) Minutes of Licensing & Enforcement Committee held on 18 September
2019 Minute numbers 9 - 15 (Pages 133 - 135)
- q) Minutes of Licensing & Enforcement Committee held on 16 October 2019
Minute numbers 16 - 25 (Pages 136 - 139)
- r) Minutes of Licensing & Enforcement Sub Committee held on 28 August
2018 Minute numbers 1 - 5 (Pages 140 - 143)
- s) Minutes of Licensing & Enforcement Sub Committee held on 18
September 2019 Minute numbers 6 - 10 (Pages 144 - 145)
- t) Minutes of Standards Committee held on 13 August 2019 Minute numbers
1 - 8 (Pages 146 - 148)
- u) Minutes of Audit & Governance Committee held on 25 July 2019 Minute
numbers 1 - 11 (Pages 149 - 152)

10 Changes to the Political balance, the Constitution and the Councils Panel, Forums, Joint Bodies and Outside Bodies appointments (Pages 153 - 156)

To update the political balance following Cllr Millar leaving the Independent Group and effect changes that flow from that in relation to committee appointments and makeup on panels, forums and joint bodies. Also to address some other changes in terms of Council appointments.

11 Governance Review Working Party (Pages 157 - 159)

This report seeks the Council's approval to the establishment of a cross-party working group to review the Council's governance arrangements.

12 Motion: Constitutional Amendment (Car Park Strategy)

That Council agrees to amend Article 4.01 (a) of the Constitution, adding 'Car Park Strategy' to the current list of 12 discretionary areas of the Policy Framework which the Council adopts as a matter of local choice.

Proposed by Councillor Paul Millar

Seconded by Councillor Eileen Wragg

Supported by Councillors Luke Jeffery, Paul Arnott, Denise Bickley, Sarah Jackson, Marianne Rixson, Cathy Gardner, Val Ranger, Paul Hayward, John Loudoun, Mike Allen, Fred Caygill and Eleanor Rylance.

13 Motion: Tackling waste responsibly in East Devon

In order to achieve greater transparency and responsibility for our waste and to be certain that 'recycled' waste is not 'dumped' in an unprocessed state in another country, we propose the following motion:

a) that EDDC, in conjunction with Devon County Council and Suez, assess how it might, within the current legal framework, best secure transparency from recycling processors so as to facilitate clear reporting to our residents;

b) that EDDC, in conjunction with Devon County Council and Suez assess how it might best report in weight terms as well as percentages, (with the intention of securing greater understanding as to whether the volume of general, food, plastics, metal, glass, textiles and electronic waste is decreasing, as well as percentages increasing);

c) that EDDC assess how to encourage public behaviour change by promoting through EDDC's media presence the message 'refuse, refill, reduce' rather than focusing on 'recycle';

d) that a report be prepared on how EDDC can buy or commission products made from recycled materials whenever possible, (also joining with other councils where appropriate to reduce costs, for example for recycling sacks and bins) with a view to encouraging a closed loop circular economy system, the overall intention being to reduce and ultimately eliminate 'virgin' plastic entering the system.

Proposed by Councillor Denise Bickley

Seconded by Councillor Luke Jeffery

Supported by Councillors Paul Millar, Cathy Gardner, Paul Arnott, Marianne Rixson, Olly Davey, Tony Woodward, Val Ranger, Paul Hayward, Sarah Jackson and Eleanor Rylance.

14 **Motion: Tackling Poverty in East Devon**

This council is seeking new ways to help those in poverty.

We support the proposal of the Overview Committee to consider, within the corporate plan, a recent range of proposals on poverty and the willingness of Cabinet to assess the costs and to set up a working group on poverty.

We therefore propose that this council resolves to include within its Corporate Plan the following aspirations:

1. That no one in East Devon is destitute without immediate help
2. That nobody should be in involuntary poverty for more than two year's duration

Council further resolves that all Corporate Plans, strategies and Service Plans shall be subject to "poverty proofing" which means a poverty impact assessment will be made and reported to Overview Committee of the effect of the strategy or service plan on those in poverty

Proposed by Councillor Mike Allen

Seconded by Councillor Paul Millar

Supported by Councillors Cathy Gardner, Paul Arnott, Bruce De Saram, Eileen Wragg and Andrew Moulding

15 **Motion: National Park for Dorset & East Devon and the Glover Review**

That the council writes to thank Julian Glover and his team for the Glover Review into National Parks and AONBs and advises him of its next steps, the letter to be copied to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Theresa Villiers MP, and to the Leader of Devon County Council, Cllr John Hart.

That the council welcomes the historic recommendation on page 121 of the Glover Review which states:

"We received submissions on the case for several other AONBs to become National Parks too. The two that stand out as leading candidates are the Cotswolds AONB and the combined Dorset and East Devon AONBs"

That the council supports the formation of a cross party working group of up to 12 members to make contact as soon as possible with representatives of the proposed Dorset section of an East Devon/Dorset National Park to arrange a meeting at Blackdown House no later than January 30th 2020 in order to engage with and understand the issues and opportunities which would arise from a new National Park.

That this working group makes an initial report to the Overview Committee in March 2020.

Proposed by Councillor Paul Arnott

Seconded by Councillor Marianne Rixson

Supported by Councillors Luke Jeffery, Paul Hayward, Sarah Jackson, Val Ranger and Cathy Gardner

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