Agenda for Council
Wednesday, 18th December, 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, 18th December, 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

Chief Executive

1 **Public speaking**

Information on public speaking is available online

2 **Minutes of the previous meeting** (Pages 5 - 19)

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 - Amendment to appointments on the Scrutiny Committee and Community Grant Panel**

The Liberal Democrat group has requested to re-allocate committee seats. Members are asked to confirm the following amendments to appointments.

- Councillor Andrew Colman to replace Councillor Fabian King on the Scrutiny Committee
- Councillor Andrew Colman to replace Councillor Fabian King on the Community Grant Panel

The Chairman has agreed to this as an urgent item so that the group can deliver their democratic mandate by ensuring the seats are allocated to the most appropriate members.

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 20 - 31)

Twenty five questions have been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 9.2. The questions and answers have been published with the agenda.

9 **Reports from the Cabinet and the Council's Committees and questions on those reports** (Page 32)

a) Minutes of Cabinet held on 30 October 2019 Minute numbers 74 - 86 (Pages 33 - 36)

b) Minutes of Cabinet held on 27 November 2019 Minute numbers 87 - 105 (Pages 37 - 44)

c) Minutes of Extraordinary Scrutiny Committee held on 24 October 2019 Minute numbers 31 - 33 (Pages 45 - 47)

d) Minutes of Extraordinary Scrutiny Committee held on 7 November 2019 Minute numbers 34 - 40 (Pages 48 - 49)

e) Minutes of Scrutiny Committee held on 21 November 2019 Minute numbers 41 - 49 (Pages 50 - 54)

f) Minutes of Overview Committee held on 14 November 2019 Minute numbers 28 - 39 (Pages 55 - 66)

g) Minutes of Strategic Planning Committee held on 22 October 2019 Minute numbers 18 - 30 (Pages 67 - 75)

h) Minutes of Strategic Planning Committee held on 9 December 2019 Minute numbers 31 - 38 (Pages 76 - 81)

i) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 29 October 2019 Minute numbers 61 - 71 (Pages 82 - 86)

j) Minutes of Development Management Committee held on 3 December 2019 minute numbers 72 - 82 (Pages 87 - 91)

k) Minutes of Audit & Governance Committee held on 24 October 2019 Minute numbers 12 - 22 (Pages 92 - 95)

10 **Appointment of Co-opted Tenant Representative Members on Housing Review Board**

Following interviews which were held on 21 November 2018 to fill the vacant tenant representative positions, members are asked to formally co-opt Cindy Collier and Christine Morrison to the Board.

11 **Council Plan 2020 - 2024** (Pages 96 - 97)

This report provides the final draft of the new Council Plan for 2020-2024.

12 **2020/21 Council Tax Base Report** (Pages 98 - 101)

13 **Motion: Housing Needs in East Devon - Housing Company TAFF**

1. That Cabinet establishes a politically balanced Housing Company TAFF comprising the relevant portfolio holders, members of the Strategic Planning Committee and also the Housing Review Board to re-evaluate the business model of East Devon Homes Ltd with a view to ensuring it is better fit for purpose and also integrates effectively with the work of the Housing Review Board.
2. That the TAFF will be expected to fully scope options into altering the delivery models of the housing company as they have been ineffective so far. Recommendations will be reported back to Cabinet, Strategic Planning Committee and the Housing Review Board and then to Council.

Proposed by Councillor Dan Ledger
Seconded by Councillor Mike Howe
Supported by Councillors John Loudoun, Paul Arnott, Val Ranger, Paul Millar, Jack Rowland, Eileen Wragg, Denise Bickley, Mike Allen, Cathy Gardner, Marianne Rixson, Sarah Jackson and Jo Whibley.

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