

Agenda for an Extra Ordinary meeting of Council Wednesday, 29 July 2015; 6.00pm

To: [All elected Members of the Council](#); Honorary Aldermen



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Dear Sir/Madam

Extra Ordinary meeting of the Council of the District of East Devon on Wednesday 29 July 2015 at 6.00 pm

You are called upon to attend the above meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Knowle, Sidmouth. 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 read "Mark Williams".

Chief Executive

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Agenda:

1 Apologies

2 **Honorary Aldermen**

To consider conferring the title of Honorary Alderman on the following in recognition of their eminent services to East Devon District Council as past Members of the Council.

Geoff Chamberlain (35 years) 1980-2015

Positions of responsibility – Chairman of Exmouth Town Committee (1995/96), Vice Chairman of the Council (2005/07), Member of Executive Board (2008-2011)

Trevor Cope (20 years) 1995-2015

Positions of responsibility – Leader of the Liberal Democrats and later Leader of the Independent Group, Vice Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny – Economy Committee (2009-10), Chairman of Local Agenda 21 Sub Committee (1996-2001) and Member Champion – Plain English (2011-2013)

David Cox (12 years) 2003-2015

Positions of responsibility – Chairman of Housing Review Board (2006/07), Board member of Leisure East Devon (2006 –2012), Streetscene Portfolio Holder (2007-2011), Finance Portfolio Holder (2011-2015), Vice Chairman Employment Appeals (2011-2015).

Christine Drew (13 years) 2002-2015

Positions of responsibility – Member Champion for Young People (2010-2015), Vice Chairman of the Council (2013-2015), Vice Chairman (2003-2005) then Chairman (2005-2009) Licensing and Enforcement, Council appointee to Devon County Council – Health Overview/Scrutiny Committee (2003-2011), East Devon Volunteer Support Agency – Trustee Board (2009-2011) and East Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee (2007-2011).

Peter Halse (21 years) 1982-1991, 2003-2015

Positions of responsibility – Chairman of Housing Tenancy Allocations (1988-1990), Economy Portfolio Holder 2007-2010, Vice Chairman of Employment Appeals (2007-2010), Chairman of the Council 2011-2013.

John Jeffery (16 years) 1999-2015

Positions of responsibility – Council representative on - Salisbury Lineside Consortium of Authorities (2002-2006), Business Advisory Council (1999-2003), East Devon Police Liaison Group (2000-2008), Exeter Area Rail Project Working Party (2002-2010). Also recognition of his strong and effective ward work.

Stephanie Jones (8 years) 2007-2015

Positions of responsibility – Member Champion – Seaton (2008-2015), Deputy Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Homes and Communities (2011-2015), Council representative on East Devon Transport, Research and Information Project (2011-2015).

Frances Newth (10 years) 2005-2015

Positions of responsibility – Member Champion for Sustainability (Eco Issues) 2007-2011, Vice Chairman of the Council (2011-2013), Vice Chairman of Licensing and Enforcement Committee (2006-2008), Vice Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Service Delivery and Performance Committee (2009-2011).

Ken Potter (8 years) 2007-2015

Positions of responsibility – Member Champion for Post Offices (2007-2015) – the remit for this was extended to include Rural Communities in 2011, Chairman of Audit and Governance Committee (2009-2015), Council representative on the LGA Rural Commission (2011-2015).

Tim Wood (8 years) 2007-2015

Positions of responsibility – Exmouth Town Member Champion (2011-2013), Vice Chairman of Audit and Governance (2007-2011), Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny (2013-2015), Board Member – Leisure East Devon 2012-2015), Chairman of East & Mid Devon Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Panel (2013-2015), Chairman Exmouth Local Nature Reserve Management Committee (2010-2012)

Steve Wragg (16 years) 1999-2015

Positions of responsibility – Vice Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Economy (2009-2011) and involved in the scrutiny of the Joint Integration arrangements with South Somerset. Also in recognition of his effective and reasoned contribution to planning committee debate over the years.

Note: a resolution to confirm the title must be passed by not less than two-thirds of the Members of Council voting thereon.

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EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at Knowle, Sidmouth, on Wednesday, 29 July 2015

Attendance list at the end of document.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.27 pm

***24 Honorary Aldermen**

The Council was asked to consider conferring the title of Honorary Alderman on former Councillors for their eminent service to East Devon District Council. The nominees (Geoff Chamberlain, Trevor Cope, David Cox, Christine Drew, Peter Halse, John Jeffery, Stephanie Jones, Frances Newth, Ken Potter, Tim Wood and Steve Wragg) were proposed en bloc by Councillor Phil Twiss and seconded by Councillor John O'Leary.

RESOLVED: that the title of 'Honorary Alderman' be conferred on the following in recognition of their eminent services to East Devon District Council as past

Members:-

Geoff Chamberlain

Trevor Cope

David Cox

Christine Drew

Peter Halse

John Jeffery

Stephanie Jones

Frances Newth

Ken Potter

Tim Wood

Steve Wragg

(The resolution was required to be passed by not less than two-thirds of the Members of the Council voting thereon – the vote in favour was unanimous.)

The Chairman invited the nominees to come forward to receive the Honorary Alderman medallion and scroll from the Vice Chairman. The Chairman made individual reference to the service each had rendered to the Council and their valued contribution.

Congratulations had been extended to the nominees from the Honorary Aldermen and Councillor Douglas Hull expressed thanks to the newly appointed Honorary Alderman for their services to the Council and the community.

Each of the new Honorary Aldermen spoke on their appointment and thanked the Council for granting this honour. They thanked fellow Councillors for their support and fellowship and the Chief Executive and all Council staff for their professionalism and help over the years. Newly appointed Honorary Aldermen Geoff Chamberlain received a standing ovation.

Attendance list

Councillors present:

Megan Armstrong
Brian Bailey
David Barratt
Dean Barrow
Susie Bond
Matthew Booth
Peter Bowden
Colin Brown
Peter Burrows
Paul Carter
Maddy Chapman
Iain Chubb
Alan Dent
Paul Diviani
Jill Elson
Peter Faithfull
David Foster
Roger Giles
Graham Godbeer
Pat Graham
Simon Grundy
Maria Hale
Ian Hall
Steve Hall
Stuart Hughes
Douglas Hull
John Humphreys
Ben Ingham
David Key
Jim Knight
Rob Longhurst
Dawn Manley
Andrew Moulding
Bill Nash
Cherry Nicholas
John O'Leary
Helen Parr
Christopher Pepper
Geoff Pook
Philip Skinner
Pauline Stott
Brenda Taylor
Ian Thomas
Phil Twiss
Mark Williamson
Eileen Wragg
Tom Wright

Honorary Aldermen:

Ann Liverton
David Scott

Officers:

Mark Williams, Chief Executive
Richard Cohen, Deputy Chief Executive
John Golding, Strategic Lead - Housing
Henry Gordon Lennox, Strategic Lead – Legal and Democratic Services
Amanda Coombes, Democratic Services Officer
Diana Vernon, Democratic Services Manager
Hannah Whitfield, Democratic Services Officer

Councillor apologies:

Mike Allen
David Chapman
Cathy Gardner
Steve Gazzard
Alison Greenhalgh
Marcus Hartnell
Mike Howe
Geoff Jung
Val Ranger
Marianne Rixson

Honorary Aldermen apologies:

Bob Peachey
Margaret Rogers

Chairman

Date