HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMONS AND AGENDA

for the meeting to be held on Tuesday, 17 July 2018 at 10.00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Hertford.

GROUP MEETINGS

Conservative Group Labour Group

10.00 am Monday, 16 July 2018 Council Chamber Liberal Democrat Group 8.30 am Tuesday, 17 July 2018 Committee Room A 9.00 am Tuesday, 17 July 2018 Group Room

PRAYERS at 9.50 a.m.

Prayers led by The Reverend Simon Cragg, Christchurch Baptist Church, Welwyn Garden City.

Members are reminded that all equalities implications and equalities impact assessments undertaken in relation to any matter on this agenda must be rigorously considered prior to any decision being reached on that matter.

Members are reminded that:

- (1) if they consider that they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting they must declare that interest and must not participate in or vote on that matter unless a dispensation has been granted by the Standards Committee;
- if they consider that they have a Declarable Interest (as defined in paragraph 5.3 of the Code of Conduct for Members) in any matter to be considered at the meeting they must declare the existence and nature of that interest. If a member has a Declarable Interest they should consider whether they should participate in consideration and vote on the matter.

PART I ('PUBLIC') AGENDA

1. **MINUTES**

- To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held at 1.1 10.00am on 22 May 2018 (circulated separately).
- 1.2 To confirm the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held at 10.30am on 22 May 2018 (circulated separately).

2. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS - STANDING ORDER 8(10)

To deal with questions from any member of the public being resident in or a registered local government elector of Hertfordshire, to the Leader of the Council and Executive Members about the policies and /or strategic priorities of the Council or about any matter over which the Council has power or which directly affects the County.

4. PUBLIC PETITIONS - STANDING ORDER 15

The opportunity for any member of the public, being resident in or a registered local government elector of Hertfordshire to present a petition relating to a matter over which the County Council has control, containing 1,000 or more signatures of residents or business ratepayers of Hertfordshire.

Notification of intent to present a petition must have been given to the Chief Legal Officer at least 20 clear days before the meeting where an item relating to the subject matter of the petition does not appear in the agenda, or at least 5 clear days where the item is the subject of a report already on the agenda.

[Members of the public who are considering raising an issue of concern via a petition are advised to contact their local County Councillor http://www.hertsdirect.org/your-council/

The Council's arrangements for the receipt of petitions are set out in <u>Annex 22 - Petitions Scheme</u> of the Constitution.]

If you have any queries about the petitions procedure for this meeting please contact Elaine Shell, Democratic Services Manager, by telephone on (01992) 555565 or by email to elaine.shell@hertfordshire.gov.uk

4A. TRAFFIC CONGESTION CAUSED BY THE MCDONALDS/BP SITE AT THE RUSH GREEN ROUNDABOUT (HERTFORD)

Local Members: A Stevenson, J Kaye

A petition containing more than 1000 signatures will be presented on the following matter:-

"Traffic congestion caused by the McDonalds/BP site at the Rush Green Roundabout

Work closely with Hertfordshire Police and McDonalds/BP to find and implement a safe solution to the major congestion caused by the vehicles queuing to enter the site and to alleviate the potential for a serious accident."

The report of the Director of Environment and Infrastructure on the background to the subject of the petition is attached.

5. OFFICER REPORTS RELEVANT TO EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIOS

5A. WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN: AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND AND HEARING STATEMENT (JANUARY 2018) IN RELATION TO NEW BARNFIELD, HATFIELD

Local Member: P M Zukowskyj

Portfolio: Growth, Infrastructure, Planning and the Economy

Report of the Director of Environment and Infrastructure (attached)

5B. HERTFORDSHIRE'S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE 2018-21

Portfolio: Children, Young People and Families

Report of the Director of Children's Services (attached)

6. EXECUTIVE REPORT TO COUNTY COUNCIL

Report of the Executive (attached)

7. QUESTIONS TO EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

To deal with questions from Members of the Council to the Leader of the Council and Executive Members.

8. REPORT FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Report of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (attached)

9. REPORT FROM THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Report of the Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee (attached)

10. RECRUITMENT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (HEAD OF PAID SERVICE)

Report of the Assistant Director of Human Resources (attached)

11. REVISION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME EMPLOYER DISCRETIONS POLICY

Report of the Director of Resources (attached)

12. SECTION 85, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - VACATION OF OFFICE BY FAILURE TO ATTEND MEETINGS

Report of the Chief Legal Officer (attached)

13. NOTICES OF MOTION – STANDING ORDER 9 (6)

13A. SBAFH Giles-Medhurst to move (seconder: SK Jarvis):-

"The Executive Member for Highways and Environment is requested to review policies relating to pedestrians and cyclists to ensure that on all highways schemes the greater priority is given to those to encourage modal shift in line with Council's aims and objectives and to bring the review to Highways and Environment Cabinet Panel."

13B. SBAFH Giles-Medhurst to move (seconder: SK Jarvis):-

"The Director of Environment and Infrastructure is requested to ensure that in any footway (or off road cycle way) closure that is required for development work those users be afforded greater priority and that:-

- 1) Local Members be informed of such closures beforehand; and
- 2) on principal routes adequate and safe pedestrian crossing facilities are provided by the developer including traffic controls to so protect them."

13C. SBAFH Giles-Medhurst to move (seconder: SK Jarvis):-

"Council considers that the practices of 'one and done' is embedded in the Integrated Works Programme for highways resurfacing/reconstruction and i2i projects to enable redundant crossovers to be raised, blocked gully gates to be cleared and, where possible, ponding at road junctions to be resolved with re-profiling or appropriate measures to ensure the long term benefits to the highway and footway network and thus reducing costs in the future."

13D. SBAFH Giles-Medhurst to move (seconder: SK Jarvis):-

"The Executive Member for Highways and Environment is requested to review the policy of using "surface dressing" (stone chips) in urban settings and to use instead other more appropriate treatments on urban roads and to bring the review to Highways and Environment Cabinet Panel."

13E. S K Jarvis to move (seconder

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"The Council welcomes the decision of Charles Horton the Chief Executive of Govia Thameslink Railway (GTR) to resign in the light of GTR's appalling performance surrounding the introduction of the new Thameslink timetable this May. However it is clear that Network Rail and the Department of Transport are also responsible for the failures which have so greatly impacted the lives of many Hertfordshire residents. It therefore believes that Mark Carne, Chief Executive of Network Rail and Chris Grayling, Secretary of State for Transport should follow Mr Horton's example, accept their share of responsibility for the massive disruption caused and resign."

KATHRYN PETTITT CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER

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