

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the County Council will be held at Shire Hall, Castle Hill, Cambridge on Tuesday 22nd July 2014 at 10.30a.m.

Lunch will be provided.

A G E N D A

Reflections on the day led by Paul Ewans, Humanist.

Apologies for Absence

1. Minutes – 13th May 2014 (previously circulated)
2. Announcements (oral)
3. Report of the County Returning Officer (oral)
To report that Councillor Peter Hudson was elected to fill the vacancy in the Willingham Electoral Division in the by-election held on 22nd May 2014.
4. Declarations of Interests (oral)
[Guidance for Councillors on declaring interests is available at <http://tinyurl.com/ccc-decoint>]
5. Public Question Time (oral)
To receive and respond to questions from members of the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.3.
6. Petitions (oral)
To receive petitions from the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.4.
7. Section 85 Local Government Act 1972 – Recommendation to Extend Six Month Rule (pink)
8. Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire County Council: Submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (white)

9. Items for Determination from General Purposes Committee (oral)

(a) Treasury Management Outturn Report

To consider the following recommendation arising from the General Purposes Committee meeting on 20th May 2014 (minute 8 refers):

It was resolved:

to note the Treasury Management Report Outturn Report 2013-14 and recommend it to full Council for approval.

Note: a copy of the report discussed by the General Purposes Committee and the minutes of the meeting have been sent to all Members under separate cover and are available via the following link:

Report and Minutes - <http://tinyurl.com/ccc-tremanoutrep>

(b) Business Planning – Capital Strategy

To consider the following recommendation arising from the General Purposes Committee meeting on 1st July 2014 (minute 15 refers):

It was resolved to recommend to Full Council the revisions to the Capital Strategy, to include:

- a) an advisory limit on the level of debt charges (and therefore prudential borrowing) that equated to the level of revenue debt charges as set out in the 2014-15 Business Plan over the next five years and set at £45m from 2019-20 onwards.
- b) that both the recommended limit on debt charges, and the associated level of borrowing this related to, be reviewed annually by General Purposes Committee at the beginning of the Business Planning Process and be flexed if required.
- c) that changes to the phasing of the recommended borrowing limit be allowed within any three-year block, to provide for flexibility of phasing.
- d) that borrowing related to Invest to Save/Earn schemes be excluded from the recommended borrowing limit.
- e) that prioritisation of schemes be undertaken using an improved version of the Investment Appraisal

system; the revised Appraisal System to be approved by General Purposes Committee.

- f) that the process for determining the Children, Families and Adults Programme be highlighted more specifically within the Capital Strategy in order to bring the level of information in line with that for the rest of the Programme.
- g) inviting the relevant Service Committees to consider approaches to reducing the average capital cost of providing new school places.

Note: a copy of the report discussed by the General Purposes Committee has been sent to all Members under separate cover and is available via the following link:

Report: <http://tinyurl.com/ccc-010714-1>

An extract of the minutes of the meeting will be sent to all Members when available.

(c) UK Municipal Bonds Agency

To consider the following recommendation arising from the General Purposes Committee meeting on 1st July 2014 (minute 28 refers):

It was resolved:

- i) to request that Council amend the Council's current Treasury Management Strategy Statement to enable the investment of equity in the Local Government Association UK Municipal Bonds Agency vehicle to a maximum of £50,000 for the mobilisation phase and £350,000 for the Launch Phase.
- ii) that this investment be subject to the confirmation of pledges from other local authorities that meet, with those of this Council, the full cost of the two respective phases.

Note: a copy of the report discussed by the General Purposes Committee has been sent to all Members under separate cover and is available via the following link:

Report: <http://tinyurl.com/ccc-010714-17>

An extract of the minutes of the meeting will be sent to all Members when available.

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| 10. | County Council's Constitution –
Appointment of Chairman/woman of the Cambridgeshire
Health and Wellbeing Board | (pink) |
| 11. | Motions submitted under Council Procedure Rule 10 | (oral) |

(a) Motion from Councillor Nethsingha

This council notes the work done by Price Waterhouse Coopers because the Cambridgeshire Health economy has been identified as one of the 11 most financially challenged in the country.

This council believes that caring for more people, for longer, in their own homes, and reducing the number and length of stay for unsuitable hospital admissions will be crucial in maintaining and improving the quality of care in the next 5 - 10 years.

This council also believes it is crucial that when NHS services are under extreme financial pressure mental health and social care services must be maintained, and not asked to make further cuts.

This council requests that the Chief Executive write to NHS England, Monitor and the Trust Development Authority to ask that these organisations ensure the plans of and for hospitals in the Cambridgeshire area recognise this direction of travel when making their own plans for the future.

[The Chairman advises that the motion relates to a matter for the Council to determine and that the motion is therefore in order as drafted].

(b) Motion from Councillor Count

This council notes that:

- there is a significant amount of positive work underway across Cambridgeshire Public Sector partners to narrow the gap in deprivation levels across the county.
- Cambridgeshire continues to be a county of contrasts with pockets of highly affluent areas and areas with pockets of concentrated, multiple deprivation. This tells us that we can do more work to improve outcomes for the people of Cambridgeshire and reduce the deprivation gap in order to build a strong, cohesive and successful County.
- the English Indices of Deprivation 2010 and English

Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2010 used 38 indicators grouped into a range of categories that describe unmet need caused by lack of resources, including employment and health deprivation and barriers to housing and services.

- in 2010, 3 Lower Layer Super Output Areas (LSOA) in Cambridgeshire fell within the most deprived 10% of areas in England, all of which are in Wisbech and all of which fell into the same category in 2007.
- a further 6 areas fell within the most deprived 20% of areas nationally; these were in Wisbech, March and King's Hedges (Cambridge City).

This council believes:

- targeting our resources is ever more important in the current financial climate; this will enable resources to be targeted at areas that need them the most.
- we must continue to find new and improved ways to tackle the issue of deprivation, especially the impact of multiple deprivation to improve outcomes for people across Cambridgeshire; the acceleration of this work must be a high priority for the new committees

Therefore, this council calls on the Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs to work with their fellow committee members to:

- continue to support the Council's commitment to tackling deprivation and narrowing the deprivation gap by adopting a more focused and targeted approach to improving performance and outcomes in this area of work, utilising the skill and capacity available within each Committee in order drive forward the identified improvements.
- identify a small number of key performance indicators relevant to the issue of multiple deprivation within each Committee area, and set measurable targets for improvement against these indicators.
- ensure that each Service Committee maintains oversight of performance against these indicators, and that all improvements are sustainable for areas and populations of multiple deprivation beyond the life of this Council.
- inform this Council of the indicators identified within the relevant Committee, the targets for improvement against these indicators and before the end of the life of this Council, an outline of the outcome of this work.

[The Chairman advises that the motion relates to a matter for the Council to determine and that the motion is therefore in order as drafted].

(c) Motion from Councillor Kavanagh

This council notes that:

- Following an extensive period of preparation and a significant amount of hard work, commitment and enthusiasm from residents, officers, partners and business across Cambridgeshire, the Tour de France event in Cambridge on 7th July was a huge success.

This council resolves to formally record in the minutes, its thanks to:

- All those involved in making the Tour de France in Cambridgeshire a resounding success, including the Council's partners in organising the event, Cambridge City Council, South Cambridgeshire District Council and the Police, other public services for their cooperation, and businesses and the wider community across the County for embracing the event.
- The Council officers who have been involved in bringing the event to Cambridgeshire, those involved in the preparation and operations on the day, officers who have helped ensure extensive community involvement through the Velo Festival and staff who have ensured essential services continued during the event.

[The Chairman advises that the motion relates to a matter for the Council to determine and that the motion is therefore in order as drafted].

(d) Motion from Councillor Downes

Cambridgeshire County Council calls on the government to reconsider its decision to remove £200 million from the Education Services Grant (ESG).

Council notes that:

- government is constantly increasing its expectations that local councils will provide support and challenge to maintained schools to raise standards
- local councils retain a responsibility for the well-being of pupils and staff in academies and that this may require support and guidance

In the light of the above, the Council formally notes its support for the Local Government Association's plea for the proposed cut of £200 million in the ESG to be dropped.

[The Chairman advises that the motion relates to a matter for the Council to determine and that the motion is therefore in order as drafted].

12. Questions:

(a) **Oral Questions** (Council Procedure Rule 9.1) (oral)

Members will be invited to ask questions of:


- the Leader of Council
- the Chairman/woman of any Committee
- representatives on the Fire Authority

Note: questions should relate to business discussed at a committee meeting, any matter relevant to the business of the Council and/or matter which affects the County of Cambridgeshire. The maximum time allowed for questions and answers will be 60 minutes.

(b) **Written Questions** (Council Procedure Rule 9.2) (oral)

To note responses to written questions from Councillors submitted under Council Procedure Rule 9.2.

Dated 11th July 2014



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