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To all Town Councillors

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20 March 2018

**Dear Councillor** 

A meeting of the Town Council is to be held in **the TOWN HALL**, Bridport on **Tuesday 27 March 2018 at 7:00 pm**, when it is proposed to transact the following agenda.

Yours sincerely

Town Clerk

The meeting is open to the public

## **AGENDA**

#### **OPEN PUBLIC FORUM**

Prior to the start of each ordinary Council meeting, there will be an Open Public Forum of up to 45 minutes for electors or residents in the parish of Bridport or adjoining parishes. This will be in two parts.

- a public discussion on a particular issue of current interest. There will be no time limits on public contributions in this section of the Open Forum. The subject for discussion at this meeting is: Local Government Reorganisation, what it could mean for local services and to hear what people think about more services being managed locally.
- public questions or statements, primarily in respect of items on the agenda of the Town Council meeting, but also in the interests of wider public discussion. Each question/contribution under this section will not exceed three minutes in duration.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence submitted by Members.

#### 2. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 6 March 2018 (copy herewith).

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest by Members.

## 4. STANDING ORDER 14(b)

Questions, if any, pursuant to Standing Order 14(b).

#### 5. COMMITTEES

To receive and consider the minutes of the following meetings:

a. Planning 29 January 2018 (copy herewith)

b. Planning 26 February 2018 (copy herewith)

Including the following recommendation:

(Min No. 93) St Michael's & South West Quadrant Community

**Liaison Group** 

RECOMMEND: that the proposals to establish a Community Liaison

Group be approved, as attached to the report.

# c. Finance and General Purposes

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(copy to follow)

Including the following recommendations:

(The recommendations below are based on those in the reports to the Committee and will be updated/amended in the minutes, to be circulated following the Committee Meeting):

(Min No. 153 - 38 ) RECOMMEND: Investment Review 2017/18 Strategy 2018/19

- (1) that the Town Council be asked to agree a revised Investment Strategy for 2018/19.
- (2) that subject to the approval of the Investment Strategy, the Council be asked to consider investing up to £200,000 in the CCLA Property Fund. That decision to be taken by June 2018.

(Min. No 153 - 39) RECOMMEND: **Asset Register** 

that the Asset Register be approved for 2018 and the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to make any final amendments, before it is signed by the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Town Clerk.

(Min No. 155) Local Government Reorganisation Update –

Services/Assets

RECOMMEND: that the latest position on Local Government

Reorganisation be noted and Council agree in principle which services it would wish to see managed locally, alongside a package of asset transfers and establish a members' working group to look at the package in detail.

(More information to follow).

It will be recommended that the detail of any property transfers be considered in closed session at the end of the public items, under the Public Bodies (Admission To

Meetings) Act 1960.

(Min No. 158) Riverside Gardens Cycle Path (under Services

Administered by the Town Surveyor)

RECOMMEND: that the Council allows the works to proceed, to install

the cycle path on Riverside Gardens.

(Min No.159) Members' Allowances Scheme

RECOMMEND: that there be no change to the Members' Allowances

Scheme for 2018/19.

(Min No. 160) Pensions Discretionary Policy

RECOMMEND: that the existing Pensions Discretions Policy be

confirmed with no changes.

(Min No.161) Calendar Of Meetings

RECOMMEND: that the calendar of meetings for 2018/19 be approved.

(Min No.165) Financial Regulations Revisions

RECOMMEND: that the changes set out in the report be adopted.

(Min No. 168) Future Meetings

RECOMMEND: that dates for a Special Council meeting and additional

Finance and General Purposes Committee be approved.

(Min No. 170) Community Bus

RECOMMEND: that the update be noted and the decision on the round

Bridport pilot service be taken at a special Council

meeting in April 2018.

d. Environment and 14 March 2018 (copy herewith)

**Social Wellbeing** 

Including the following recommendations:

(Min No. 64) Dorset Low Carbon Programme and Fund

RECOMMEND: that an Expression of Interest be submitted under the

Dorset Low Carbon Programme, in respect of the potential projects noted above (in the minutes) and further reports be submitted on the next stages, outline costs etc. before approval was given to proceed further.

(Min No. 65) National Planning Policy Framework - Consultation

RECOMMEND: that the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to

make a response, subject to any comments from the

Planning Committee.

(Min No. 70) Rights Respecting

RECOMMEND: that the Town Council support further events and actions

to promote and publicise the Rights Respecting Charter.

#### 6. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

To agree the subject for the next Council meeting.

#### 7. REPORT BACK FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Any reports that councillors may wish to make, not already presented at committees.

#### 8. COMMUNICATIONS

To receive such communications as the Town Mayor, <u>ENCL: 3301</u>, Leader of the Council and the Town Clerk may wish to report to Council.

The next ordinary meeting of Bridport Town Council will be held on 19 June 2018. The Annual Council (Mayor Making) will be held on 17 May 2018.