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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.

(Min No. 155)
RECOMMEND: **Local Government Reorganisation Update – Services/Assets**
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)
RECOMMEND: **Riverside Gardens Cycle Path (under Services Administered by the Town Surveyor)**
that the Council allows the works to proceed, to install the cycle path on Riverside Gardens.

(Min No.159)
RECOMMEND: **Members’ Allowances Scheme**
that there be no change to the Members’ Allowances Scheme for 2018/19.

(Min No. 160)
RECOMMEND: **Pensions Discretionary Policy**
that the existing Pensions Discretions Policy be confirmed with no changes.

(Min No.161)
RECOMMEND: **Calendar Of Meetings**
that the calendar of meetings for 2018/19 be approved.

(Min No.165)
RECOMMEND: **Financial Regulations Revisions**
that the changes set out in the report be adopted.

(Min No. 168)
RECOMMEND: **Future Meetings**
that dates for a Special Council meeting and additional Finance and General Purposes Committee be approved.

(Min No. 170)
RECOMMEND: **Community Bus**
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 Social Wellbeing** **14 March 2018** **(copy herewith)**
Including the following recommendations:

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

RECOMMEND:

National Planning Policy Framework - Consultation

that the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to make a response, subject to any comments from the Planning Committee.

(Min No. 70)

RECOMMEND:

Rights Respecting

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, [ENCL: 3301](#), 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.