

Special Meeting of Council

Tuesday 8 November 2016

Members of Cherwell District Council,

A special meeting of Council will be held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA on Tuesday 8 November 2016 at 6.30 pm, and you are hereby summoned to attend.



Sue Smith
Chief Executive

Monday 31 October
2016

AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3 Communications

To receive communications from the Chairman and/or the Leader of the Council.

4 Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

Council Business Reports

5 Remuneration for Councillors Appointed as Non-Executive Directors on Graven Hill Companies (Pages 1 - 22)

Report of Head of Law and Governance

Purpose of report

To determine the levels of the allowances to be paid to elected Members who are Non-Executive Directors of Graven Hill Companies for the remainder of the 2016/2017 financial year following the submission of the report of the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) and to approve a mechanism to ensure the legality of any remuneration that might be paid, in future, to councillor directors on council owned companies.

To consider the size of the Independent Remuneration Panel and the remuneration the Panel members should receive.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to:

- 1.1 Consider the proposed allowances and whether the Panel's recommendations should be adopted or modified in any way
- 1.2 Authorise the Head of Law and Governance to prepare an amended allowance scheme, for Councillors appointed as Non-Executive Directors in accordance with the decisions of the Council for implementation
- 1.3 Authorise the Head of Law and Governance to take all necessary action to publicise the Scheme pursuant to The Local Authorities (Members's Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (as amended).
- 1.4 Thank the Independent Remuneration Panel and agree to increase the size of the Panel to seven members and to introduce a revised fee for IRP members of £300 for each consultation, capped at a maximum of £1200 per annum.

6 Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following report contains exempt information as defined in the following paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Members are reminded that whilst the following item has been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider them in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make decisions in public, they are recommended to pass the following recommendation:

“That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part 1, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

7 Silverstone Heritage Centre

** Please note that this report will follow as it is currently being reviewed and finalised **

Exempt Report of Chief Finance Officer

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to natasha.clark@cherwellandsouthnorthants.gov.uk or 01295 221589 prior to the start of the meeting.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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