AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber - Deanes on Thursday, 10 December 2015, at 6.30 pm.

Lisa Kirkman
Head of Commissioning and Governance

Councillor A Court (Chairman)
Councillor J Frankum (Vice-Chair)
Councillor R Bean
Councillor M Bound
Councillor S Bound
Councillor J Bowyer
Councillor R Burgess
Councillor J Cousens
Councillor O Cubitt
Councillor E Dunlop
Councillor S Day
Councillor H Eachus
Councillor L Edwards
Councillor M Ellery
Councillor G Falconer
Councillor P Frankum
Councillor S Frost
Councillor R Gardiner
Councillor S Godesen
Councillor H Golding
Councillor R Golding
Councillor P Harvey
Councillor G Hood
Councillor R Hussey
Councillor J Izett
Councillor T Jones
Councillor G James
Councillor L James
Councillor S Keating
Councillor J Leek
Councillor D Leeks
Councillor P Lonie
Councillor P Miller
Councillor R Musson
Councillor C Osselton
Councillor S Parker
Councillor C Phillimore
Councillor N Pierce
Councillor C Pinder
Councillor D Potter
Councillor D Putty
Councillor C Regan
Councillor T Reid
Councillor J Richards
Councillor N Robinson
Councillor M Ruffell
Councillor C Sanders
Councillor D Sherlock
Councillor J Smith
Councillor E Still
Councillor R Tate
Councillor D Taylor
Councillor M Taylor
Councillor I Tilbury
Councillor C Tomblin
Councillor M Tucker
Councillor V Washbourne
Councillor K Watts
Councillor G Watts
Councillor M Westbrook

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Public Participation Scheme
Members of the public are invited to address the committee on all items presented at a committee meeting. Public speaking on these items will take place at the same time that the item is considered.

If members of the public wish to address the meeting they should notify Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

The public participation scheme is available to access through the council’s website - www.basingstoke.gov.uk/participation

Members are encouraged to obtain any points of clarification on the reports on the Agenda in advance of the meeting.

COMMITTEE PAPERS
Members of the public will be invited to speak at the relevant item

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3. OFFICE OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2016/17

   (1) In accordance with the ‘Method of Choosing a Mayor and Associated Matters’ protocol Members are advised that Councillor Mrs Jane Frankum is invited to stand for election as Mayor at the next Annual Meeting of Full Council for the next Municipal Year. This is in order that the Mayor-elect may have notice of her election. Members are asked to show their support.

   (2) The person next in seniority is elected Deputy Mayor at the Annual Meeting and Members are asked to note that Councillor Paul Frankum is the next senior Member who has indicated his willingness to take up the role.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2015

   Minutes of the meeting held on 22 October 2015

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

   To receive and answer any questions from the public. (Questions must be received in writing by Democratic Services no later than noon on Tuesday 8 December 2015)

7. PETITIONS

   To receive petitions. (Notice of petitions must be received in writing by Democratic Services, no later than noon on Tuesday 8 December 2015)
8. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

a) to receive resignations from Committees and to make any necessary re-appointments

b) to receive resignations from Outside Bodies and to make any re-appointments and (ii) fill any existing vacancies.

Outside Bodies

9. REPORTS FOR DECISION

Reports for decision

(a) Reports and recommendations made by Cabinet and Committees

None

(b) Reports by Council Officers

1) Council Tax Discretionary Discounts and Council Tax Support Scheme 2016/17
   Report of the Executive Director of Finance and Resources
   Wards Affected: All
   Paper C

2) Members’ Allowances Scheme 2016/17
   Report of the Head of Law and Governance
   Wards Affected: All
   Paper D

3) Dismissal and Disciplinary arrangements for Senior Statutory Officers
   Report of the Head of HR and Organisational Development
   Wards Affected: All
   Paper E

Council Tax Discretionary Discounts and Council Tax Support Scheme 2016/17
Members Allowance
Members Allowance Appendix 1
Dismissal and Disciplinary arrangements for Senior Statutory Officers

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

1) Keeping Concessionary Fares Free
The recently produced prospectus for a Hampshire Combined Authority states that:

“A recent Hampshire County Council consultation on bus subsidy reductions indicated that concessionary pass-holders would potentially be happy to contribute to the cost of their journeys if that directly supported wider availability of bus services that they could use.”

Council believes that this is a completely inaccurate statement.

Council does not support the principle that concessionary pass holders should have to contribute to the cost of their journeys. There are 257,000 concessionary fares pass holders in Hampshire, 3200 people responded to the consultation referred to in the document, and just 211 of those responding supported the idea of a contribution.

Council does not support introducing a contribution to the cost of journeys for those with concessionary passes. Council agrees that this is a further ‘red line’ that the Leader of the Council should communicate to all those involved in the devolution process.

2) Opposing the reduction of New Homes Bonus to the Local Infrastructure Fund

Mover: Councillor Jack Cousens
Seconder: Councillor Paul Harvey

As part of the Council's Medium Term Financial and Budget Strategy the Cabinet is proposing to change the policy regarding the allocation of New Homes Bonus Money. Currently 40% of this money is allocated to communities via the Local Infrastructure Fund. The Cabinet’s new proposal is to change this to just 5%.

Full council believes that this sends the wrong message to those communities who have or who will have received development and are experiencing the impact of that development on their area.

Full council recommends to the Cabinet that the current allocation policy of 40% in the Local Infrastructure Fund is maintained.
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12. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON NOTICE**

13. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To consider whether, in view of the nature of the remaining items on the agenda, any of them are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt or confidential information within the terms of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

14. **CONFIDENTIAL/EXEMPT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**