



Friday, 21 February 2020

To: Members of the Grounds & Environmental Committee (Councillors R Berry, S Jones, T Morris, F Kharawala, B Spurr, V Harvey, A Gray and P Snelling)
(Copies to all Town Councillors for information)

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **Grounds & Environmental Committee** to be held on **Monday, 2 March 2020** commencing at **7.30 pm** in the Council Chamber, The White House, Hockliffe Street, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, LU7 1HD.

**THIS MEETING MAY
BE RECORDED ***

M Saccoccio
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the Members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(i) Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the Member's Register of Interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.

(ii) Should any Member have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in an item on the agenda, the Member may not participate in consideration of that item unless a Dispensation has first been requested (in writing) and granted by the Council (see Dispensation Procedure).

3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

To receive questions and statements from members of the public in respect of any item of business included in the agenda, as provided for in Standing Order No.s 3(f) and 3(h).

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 8)

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the Grounds & Environmental Committee meeting held on 2 December 2019.

5. COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES AND WORKPLAN (Pages 9 - 14)

(a) To receive and consider the Committee Objectives and Work Plan for 2019-2020. **(attached)**.

(b) To receive and consider the proposed Committee Work Plan for 2020-2021 **(attached)**.

6. WASTE MANAGMENT AND RECYCLING UPDATE

To receive a demonstration of the waste management and recycling customer hub.

7. NINE MONTH BUDGET MONITORING REPORT (Pages 15 - 22)

To receive a nine-month budget monitoring report and the Grounds and Environmental Services Earmarked Reserves for the period April-December 2019 **(attached)**.

8. PLANTERS ROSEBURY AVENUE (Pages 23 - 26)

To receive a report regarding the planters installed by Central Bedfordshire Council on Rosebery Avenue, Linslade **(attached)** and to consider the recommendation/s contained therein.

9. REVIEW OF THE PLAY AREA IMPROVEMENT AND SAFER SURFACING
(Pages 27 - 34)

To receive a report to seek Member endorsement on the wider play area improvement and safer surfacing replacement programmes **(attached)**.

10. REVIEW SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Pages 35 - 82)

To receive a report to seek Member endorsement to undertake an external review of the Leighton-Linslade Sports and Physical Activity Development Plan **(to follow)**.

11. OUZEL MEADOW MANAGEMENT (Pages 83 - 84)

To receive and consider a request from The Greensand Trust in extending the Higher Level Stewardship agreement with Natural England **(attached)**.

12. CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL RIVER CLEARANCE (Pages 85 - 86)

To receive and consider a request from the Central Bedfordshire Council's – Countryside Manager, regarding shared responsibility for clearing a section of the River Ouzel **(attached)**.

13. DRINKING WATER FOUNTAINS (Pages 87 - 88)

To receive an update and holding report regarding the installation of drinking water fountains in larger parks and open spaces **(to follow)**.

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Committee may consider it appropriate to consider the following resolution should they consider that any discussion would be prejudicial to the public interests: that, under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded on the grounds of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted which involves the likely disclosure of exempt information. The public and press to withdraw from the meeting during consideration of detailed discussion regarding: cleaning services.

15. CLEANING SERVICES (Pages 89 - 90)

To receive a report regarding cleaning services **(to follow)** and to consider the recommendation/s contained therein.

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