

County Council

Wednesday 29 November 2017

10.00 am Council Chamber - Shire Hall, Taunton



To: The Members of Somerset County Council

You are requested to attend the Meeting of Somerset County Council on Wednesday 29 November 2017 to transact the business set out in the agenda below.

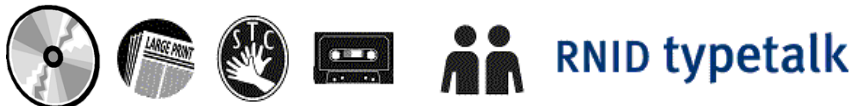
Anyone requiring further information about the meeting, or wishing to inspect any of the background papers used in the preparation of the reports referred to in the agenda please contact Julia Jones on 01823 359027 or jjones@somerset.gov.uk

Issued By Julian Gale, Strategic Manager - Governance and Risk - 21 November 2017

Guidance about procedures at the meeting follows the printed agenda.

This meeting will be open to the public and press, subject to the passing of any resolution under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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AGENDA

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**** Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe ****

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Details of Cabinet Member interests in District, Town and Parish Councils will be displayed in the meeting room. The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via the Community Governance team.

3 Minutes from the meeting held on 19th July 2017 (Pages 7 - 28)

Council is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

4 Public Question Time

(see explanatory notes attached to agenda)

This item includes the presentation of petitions. Details of any public questions / petitions submitted will be included in the Chairman's Schedule which will be made available to the members and to the public at the meeting.

For Decision

5 Report of the Leader and Cabinet - for decision (Pages 29 - 76)

To consider a report with recommendations from the Leader of the Council, arising from the Cabinet meetings held on 16 August 2017, 27 September 2017, 18 October 2017 and 15 November 2017.

The recommendations relate to:

- Heart of the South West Joint Committee
- Treasury Management mid-year Report 2017/18

6 Report of the Monitoring Officer (Pages 77 - 84)

To consider a report with recommendations from the Monitoring Officer.

The recommendations relate to:

- Revised County Councillor DBS checks policy

7 Report of the HR Policy Committee (Pages 85 - 90)

To consider a report from the Chair of the HR Policy Committee.

8 Requisitioned Items (Pages 91 - 94)

To consider requisitioned items proposed by Members on:

- National Joint Council Pay to Councils

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- Mental Health Challenge Pledge

For Information

9 **Report of the Leader and Cabinet - Items for Information** (Pages 95 - 112)

To receive reports by the Leader of Council summarising key decisions taken by him and the Cabinet, including at the Cabinet meetings held on 16 August 2017, 27 September 2017, 18 October 2017 and 15 November 2017.

(Note: Member Questions to the Leader and Cabinet Members will be taken under this item)

10 **Report of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies, Adults and Health** (Pages 113 - 120)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies, Adults and Health.

11 **Report of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies, Children and Families** (Pages 121 - 126)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies, Children and Families.

12 **Report of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies and Place** (Pages 127 - 138)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee for Policies and Place.

13 **Annual Report of the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing** (Pages 139 - 148)

To receive the Annual Report of the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing.

14 **Annual Report of Somerset Armed Forces Community Covenant Partnership** (Pages 149 - 160)

To receive the Annual Report on the work of the Somerset Armed Forces Community Covenant Partnership.