COUNTY COUNCIL Wednesday 23 November 2022 10.00 am Hollinsworth Hall, The Canalside Conference Centre, Marsh Lane, Huntworth, Somerset, TA6 6LQ (and virtual for members of the public)



To: The members of the County Council

Cllr S Ashton, Cllr S Aujla, Cllr J Bailey, Cllr J Baker, Cllr Cllr L Baker, Cllr M Barr, Cllr M Best (Chair), Cllr B Bolt, Cllr A Boyden, Cllr A Bradford, Cllr H Bruce, Cllr T Butt Philip, Cllr S Carswell, Cllr M Caswell, Cllr N Cavill, Cllr M Chilcott, Cllr N Clark, Cllr B Clarke, Cllr P Clayton, Cllr S Coles, Cllr S Collins, Cllr J Cook-Woodman, Cllr N Cottle, Cllr Cllr A Dance, Cllr D Darch, Cllr H Davies, Cllr T Deakin, Cllr D Denton, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr A Dingwall, Cllr L Duddridge, Cllr M Dunk, Cllr S Dyke, Cllr C Ellis, Cllr H Farbahi, Cllr B Ferguson, Cllr B Filmer, Cllr D Fothergill, Cllr A Govier, Cllr T Grimes, Cllr A Hadley, Cllr Pauline Ham, Cllr Philip Ham, Cllr S Hart, Cllr M Healey, Cllr B Height, Cllr A Hendry, Cllr R Henley, Cllr M Hewitson, Cllr E Hobbs, Cllr H Hobhouse, Cllr J Hunt, Cllr D Johnson, Cllr H Kay, Cllr V Keitch, Cllr A Kendall, Cllr J Kenton, Cllr T Kerley, Cllr M Kravis, Cllr C Lawrence, Cllr M Lewis, Cllr L Leyshon, Cllr T Lock, Cllr M Lovell, Cllr D Mansell, Cllr M Martin, Cllr H Munt, Cllr T Munt, Cllr M Murphy, Cllr F Nicholson, Cllr G Oakes, Cllr S Osborne, Cllr O Patrick, Cllr C Payne, Cllr K Pearce, Cllr E Pearlstone, Cllr D Perry, Cllr E Potts-Jones, Cllr T Power, Cllr H Prior-Sankey (Vice-Chair), Cllr S Pugsley, Cllr F Purbrick, Cllr W Read, Cllr L Redman, Cllr B Revans, Cllr M Rigby, Cllr T Robbins, Cllr D Rodrigues, Cllr J Roundell Greene, Cllr D Ruddle, Cllr P Seib, Cllr H Shearer, Cllr G Slocombe, Cllr B Smedley, Cllr F Smith-Roberts, Cllr F Smith, Cllr J Snell, Cllr A Soughton, Cllr M Stanton, Cllr A Sully, Cllr C Sully, Cllr L Trimnell, Cllr S Wakefield, Cllr M Wale, Cllr R Wilkins, Cllr A Wiltshire, Cllr D Woan, Cllr R Woods, Cllr G Wren and Cllr R Wyke

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend.

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AGENDA

Item County Council - 10.00 am Wednesday 23 November 2022

Full Council Guidance notes (see agenda annex)

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils can be viewed on the Council Website at

<u>County Councillors membership of Town, City, Parish or District Councils</u> and this will be displayed in the meeting room (Where relevant).

The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via request to the Democratic Service Team.

Minutes from the meeting held on 20 July 2022 and Extraordinary meeting on 5 October 2022 (Pages 7 - 60)

Council is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

- 4 Chairman's Announcements (Pages 61 62)
- 5 **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 Chair's Schedule which will be made available to the members and to the public at the meeting.

6 Report of the Leader and Executive - for decision (Pages 63 - 288)

To consider a report with recommendations from the Leader of the Council, arising from the Executive meetings held on 21 September 2022, 19 October 2022 and 16 November 2022.

The recommendations relate to:

- Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2022/23
- Council Tax Reduction Scheme
- Council Tax Discounts and Premiums
- Proposed Non Domestic Rating Discretionary Areas and Hardship

7 **Report of the Monitoring Officer** (Pages 289 - 300)

To receive a report from the Monitoring Officer.

8 Annual Report of the Corporate Parenting Board (Pages 301 - 352)

To receive a report from the Chair of the Corporate Parenting Board.

9 Report of the HR Policy Committee

10 Report of the Leader and Executive - Items for Information (Pages 353 - 368)

To receive reports by the Leader of Council summarising key decisions taken by him and the Executive, including at the Executive meetings held on 21 September 2022, 19 October 2022 and 16 November 2022 – attached.

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

11 Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee (Pages 369 - 372)

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

12 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee** (Pages 373 - 382)

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

13 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee** (Pages 383 - 392)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee.

14 Report of the Scrutiny for Policies and Place Committee (Pages 393 - 400)

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

Annual Report of the Somerset Armed Forces Covenant Partnership (Pages 401 - 406)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Somerset Armed Forces Covenant Partnership.

16 Items of Any Other Business