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NOTICE OF MEETING

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

Date & Time

Thursday, 19 May 2011 at 6.30 p.m.

Venue at

Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford

Richard Carr
Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL:

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

AGENDA

Prayers

The Reverend Richard Andrews will take prayers.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence to be received.

2. **Election of Chairman (only if the current Chairman and Vice-Chairman are absent)**

3. **Election of Chairman 2011/12**

To elect the Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2011/12. The retiring Chairman will call for nominations for Chairman and each nomination must be seconded. Members may speak in support of the nominations.

(Note: In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 20.7, if more than one nomination is received, a vote by show of hands will be conducted).

The appointed Chairman to sign and read out the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

4. **Election of Vice-Chairman 2011/12**

To elect the Vice-Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2011/12. The Chairman will call for nominations for Vice-Chairman and each nomination must be seconded. Members may speak in support of the nominations.

(Note: In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 20.7, if more than one nomination is received, a vote by show of hands will be conducted).

The appointed Vice-Chairman to sign and read out the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

5. **Election of Leader of the Council for 2011 - 2015**

In accordance with B5 Council Procedure Rule No. 2.3 and C1 Executive Arrangements paragraph 3.1, the Chairman to invite nominations for the election of the Leader of the Council for the period until the next election of all members of the Council in 2015.

6. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 14 April 2011.

(Attached at pages 5 to 18)

7. **Members' Interests**

To receive from Members any declarations and their nature in relation to:-

(a) personal interests in any agenda item

(b) personal and prejudicial interests in any agenda item.

8. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

The Chairman to make any announcements or communications.

9. **Leader of the Council's Announcements and Communications**

The Leader of the Council to make any announcements or communications.

10. **Questions, Statements or Deputations**

To receive any questions, statements or deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 1 of part A4 of the Constitution. (This session will be held at the Chairman's discretion and will normally last no longer than 15 minutes.)

11. **Appointment of Members, Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to Committees and Other Council Bodies 2011/12**

The report outlines the requirements for appointments to committees and other Council bodies, including political proportionality. Nominations from Group Leaders will be circulated separately.

(Attached at pages 19 to 32)

12. **Scheme of Delegation**

To agree the scheme of delegation as set out at parts E2 and H3 of the Constitution.

(Attached at pages 33 to 34)

13. **Composition of the Executive**

The Leader of the Council to report regarding the composition and responsibilities of the Executive for the coming year (to be circulated separately).

14. **Appointments to the Joint Selection Committee (for Bedfordshire Police Authority) and the Bedfordshire and Luton Combined Fire Authority**

To consider the attached report.

(Attached at pages 35 to 40)

15. **Appointments to Outside Bodies**

In accordance with the Part B5 2.2.2.13 to make appointments to outside bodies.

(Attached at pages 41 to 66)

16. **Proposed Amendment to the Members' Allowances Scheme**

To consider the report of the Monitoring Officer (to be circulated separately).