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NOTICE OF MEETING

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Date & Time
Thursday, 29 May 2014 10.00 a.m.

Venue at

Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford

Richard Carr

Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE:

Cllrs P Hollick (Chairman), R C Stay (Vice-Chairman), A L Dodwell, J G Jamieson, D Jones, M R Jones, D J Lawrence, Mrs J G Lawrence, K C Matthews, J Murray, R B Pepworth and M A G Versallion

[Named Substitutes:

P N Aldis, D Bowater, N B Costin, D J Hopkin, A Shadbolt, I Shingler and J N Young]

All other Members of the Council - on request

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

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitute Members.

Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings of the General Purposes Committee held on 20 January 2014 and 1 May 2014 (copies attached).

3. Members' Interests

To receive from Members any declarations of interest.

4. Chairman's Announcements and Communications

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

Petitions

To receive petitions from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 2 of Part A4 of the Constitution.

6. 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.

Reports

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7 Local Government Pension Scheme Update

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To receive an update on recent developments in respect of the Local Government Pension Scheme, explain the governance arrangements and outline the Fund's latest financial position.

8 Local Government Pension Scheme - Discretions Policy

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To consider the requirements of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations for each employer to determine its policy with regard to these discretions and the proposed Council policy with regard to these discretions.

9 Children's Social Worker Recruitment

To receive a presentation on the recruitment of children's social workers.

10 Recruitment and Retention of Children's Social Workers

+ To Follow

To receive a report on the recruitment and retention of children's social workers.

11 Market Rate Supplement Payments - Annual Update

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To consider an update on the current application of market rate supplements to posts across Central Bedfordshire Council.

12 Constitution Update

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To receive a number of minor amendments to the Constitution.

13 Revised Calendar of Meetings - Eight Week Cycle

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To consider the proposed introduction of a revised Calendar of Meetings, based on an eight week cycle of meetings for the Executive and Overview and Scrutiny Committees, with effect from September 2014.

14 General Purposes Committee - Work Programme for 2014/15

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To consider the Committee's work programme for 2014/15.