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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

### **COUNCIL**

Date & Time

**Thursday, 23 February 2017 6.30 p.m.**

Venue at

**Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford**

Richard Carr  
**Chief Executive**

To: The Chairman and Members of the COUNCIL

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# AGENDA

## Prayers

The Reverend Dr Bernard Minton, Team Vicar of Linslade, will take prayers.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence to be received.

2. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19 January 2017.

(attached pages 7 to 13)

3. **Members' Interests**

To receive from Members any declarations of interest.

4. **Questions, Statements and Deputations**

To receive any questions, statements and 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.)

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

The Chairman to announce any matters of communication.

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

The Leader of the Council to announce any matters of communication.

**7. Recommendations from the Executive**

To consider recommendations from the meeting of the Executive, 7 February 2017 and answer questions asked under Rule No. 13.1.

(a) Budget 2017/18 and Medium Term Financial Plan

(attached pages 15 to 16)

(b) Capital Programme 2017/18 - 2020/21

(attached page 17)

(c) Budget for the Housing Revenue Account (Landlord Business Plan)

(attached page 19)

(d) Social Care, Health & Housing Fees & Charges 2017/18

(attached page 21)

(e) Treasury Management Strategy and Treasury Policy

(attached page 23)

(f) and to present the Council Tax resolution

(attached pages 25-40)

Please note: The papers for (a) to (e) above may be seen at the following link:

<http://centralbeds.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=577&MIId=5135&Ver=4>

## 8. **Motions**

To consider a motion received from Councillor Stay under Rule No. 17.

### **Future provision of services for older people in Central Bedfordshire**

Central Bedfordshire Council is a provider and commissioner of services to older people. It also has an enabling role as a democratically elected local authority. We recognise that the future provision of quality care services for older people in Central Bedfordshire is the most significant challenge that we face.

This Council has taken an innovative approach towards significantly improved services to older people; it has invested and is continually looking to make the most effective use of existing resources whilst managing increased demand. However it recognises that these strategies alone will not meet the future needs and aspirations of an ageing population.

A different approach towards the future funding and provision of social care is needed, the opportunity for councils to introduce a social care precept will assist in the short term, but demand is projected to significantly increase.

There is an unresolved national interest in this agenda, therefore **this Council calls on the Government to redouble its efforts and address the funding gap, improve cross-sector working and refocus its priorities towards meeting the critical care needs of the UK's own ageing population.**

**Proposed by: Councillor Richard Stay**

**Seconded by: Councillor Carole Hegley**