

# Cabinet

**Monday, 20 June 2022**

**Council Chamber  
Mendip District Council, Cannards Grave Road  
Shepton Mallet, BA4 5BT**

**6.30 pm**

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Members of the Cabinet:

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| Cllr Ros Wyke         | Leader of Mendip District Council                             |
| Cllr Barry O'Leary    | Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Enterprise and Finance |
| Cllr Tom Ronan        | Portfolio Holder for Strategic Policy and Climate Change      |
| Cllr Simon Carswell   | Portfolio Holder for Economic Development                     |
| Cllr Liz Leyshon      | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services and Projects          |
| Cllr Garfield Kennedy | Portfolio Holder for Planning and Development Management      |
| Cllr Richard Pinnock  | Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Governance          |
| Cllr Heather Shearer  | Portfolio Holder for Community Health and Services            |

Cabinet Assistants: Drew Gardner, Edric Hobbs, Lucie Taylor-Hood and Laura Waters

**NB:** Whilst formal meetings are returning to Council premises from 7 May 2021, COVID restrictions are still in place. This means that whilst meetings will be open to the public, attendance will be limited. Meetings will be live streamed where at all possible. Please contact the Democratic Services Officer in the first instance should you wish to attend.

## Notes

1. **Length of meeting** - Meetings will normally end once all the business listed on the agenda has been considered. However, in the event of a meeting continuing for three hours, the Chair of that meeting will ask member colleagues to vote on whether to continue, to end the meeting or to adjourn to another date and time. There will be a short briefing from officers on the implications but no debate on whether the meeting should end. If the vote is in favour of ending the meeting it will end immediately or at such point as the meeting agrees.
2. **Reports** – some agenda items refer to reports that have been produced. If you wish to see a non-confidential report, you can access these via the Mendip District Council website at [www.mendip.gov.uk](http://www.mendip.gov.uk).
3. **Declarations of Interest** – Where Members of the Board/Committee or any other Member of the Council present at the meeting have a personal or prejudicial interest in any agenda item or matter listed, they are obliged to declare that interest at the meeting at which the matter is due to be considered.
4. **Public Speaking** – At the Chair's discretion, members of the public can participate at meetings of a Council body by making representations on any matter, the categories are shown below. The maximum time for each speaker is three minutes, with a maximum time of 20 minutes for all speakers in total. Anyone who wishes to speak must either;
  - a) notify the Democratic Services Officer (details on page 1) by 12 noon on the day of the meeting, or
  - b) complete the online form by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

Categories:

**Items on the agenda** – Members of the public may either speak during the Public Participation agenda item or before the agenda item of interest.

**Items not on the agenda**

Any matters raised cannot be debated at the meeting but may be referred to a future meeting.

5. **Suggestions for Future Business** – will only be adopted if agreed by the Chair and Deputy-Chair of the meeting and where they fall within the responsibilities covered by that Council Body.
6. **Urgent Business** – To consider any other business that the Chair decides is urgent.
7. **Exclusion of the Press and Public** - The Local Government Act 1972, as amended, allows the public to be excluded from any Council meeting during any item of business on the grounds that confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed. "Confidential" and "exempt" are each defined by the Local Government Act, and there is an important difference between them. The public must be excluded from a meeting if "confidential" information is likely to be disclosed. However, if the information likely to be disclosed is "exempt," members have discretion. They may exclude the public by passing a resolution but are not obliged to do so.
8. In accordance with the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, recording is allowed at all formal meetings of the authority to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. Those wishing to record proceedings should, as a matter of courtesy, inform the chair (or Democratic Services Officer) of the committee of their intentions prior to the meeting.
9. In compliance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972, a list of the background papers and the background papers themselves are available on request to the Democratic Services Officer.

# AGENDA

## **1 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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- Welcome everyone to the meeting.
- Please can all mobile phones be set to silent.
- Please note the Council Chamber is fitted with a hearing loop and those with hearing aids should set their aids to the "T" position
- Fire: There is no fire alarm test planned so if the alarm sounds we will evacuate the building: Please leave the building by the emergency exits, use the stairs not the lift, and make your way quickly but safely across the car park to the assembly point which is in Collett Park.

## **2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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To receive apologies from Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

## **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** See Note 3

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## **4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** See Note 4

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- a) Items on the agenda
- b) Items not on the agenda

## **5 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

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Questions need to have been submitted to the Chief Executive 10 working days in advance of the Cabinet meeting to which they are to be submitted. All questions must relate to the terms of reference of Cabinet and actions taken by individual Portfolio Holders, in accordance with the provisions of the Council's constitution.

## **6 GLASTONBURY TOWN DEAL – PROJECT CONFIRMATION FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT OF BUSINESS CASES**

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This paper relates to the Glastonbury Town Deal (GTD).

- Glastonbury is one of **101 Towns** selected by Government to bid for up to **£25m** from the Towns' Fund to support growth and reduce deprivation
- Accelerator Projects (**£0.5m**), submitted in August 2020 have been completed, including renovation of part of Building C of the Red Brick Building, the Glastonbury Way, St Edmunds Hall, Herbies Field and Town Centre refurbishments
- The Town Investment Plan (TIP) for **£24.5m** was submitted on 29 January 2021 and makes the case for considerable government investment, to improve the indices of deprivation and 'level-up' the town as a whole.
- Government agreed the projects in June 2021 and then the Treasury Green Book Business Case has been completed for the projects, as required.

This paper presents 10 of the 11 projects. The final project is scheduled to be considered on 4 July 2022, as a short extension has been agreed with Government for that project. These projects have been reviewed by the Glastonbury Town Deal Board, Scrutiny Task & Finish Group and the S151 Officer.

Other organisations that have reviewed the projects are listed within the Project Summary Documents at Appendix A, contains exempt information. Members of the Cabinet have also been supplied with full Business Cases for each of the projects. This information is also exempt. If Members wish to discuss any of the information contained within Appendix A or the Business Cases then they will need to resolve exclude the press and public from the meeting.

### **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**Cabinet may be asked to consider whether a resolution should be passed to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion of the Appendices in relation to item 6 on the grounds that exempt information (as defined in Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, as amended) of the following description is likely to be disclosed:**

Category 3            Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including those of the Council).

## **7        ESTABLISHMENT OF AN IMPLEMENTATION BOARD IN SOMERSET FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION**

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Cabinet is being asked to appoint Members to serve on the LGR Implementation Board, whose purpose is to ensure that the creation of the new unitary Council for Somerset is carried out efficiently and that the related decisions of the five councils are collaborative, transparent and democratically accountable.

## **8        PROPOSED GENERAL CONSENT AND SPECIFIC CONSENTS PROCESS IN RESPONSE TO DIRECTION ISSUED UNDER SECTION 24 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007**

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Cabinet is asked to consider the Proposed General Consent and Specific Consents process in response to the Direction issued by the Secretary of State under Section 24 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, which will help to ensure that the creation of the new unitary Council for Somerset is carried out efficiently and that the related decisions of the five councils are collaborative, transparent and democratically accountable.

Appendices 3, 4 and 5 relating to this document contain exempt information. If Members wish to discuss any of the information contained within Appendices 3, 4 or 5 then they will need to resolve exclude the press and public from the meeting.

### **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Cabinet may be asked to consider whether a resolution should be passed to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion of Appendices 3, 4 or 5 in relation to item 8, on the grounds that exempt information (as defined in Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, as amended) of the following description is likely to be disclosed:

Category 3                      Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including those of the Council).

### **9      URGENT BUSINESS**

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To consider any business that the Chair considers is urgent

### **CIRCULATION OF PAPERS**

In accordance with Section 100B(2) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, reports and documents relating to items 6 and 8 disclosing exempt or confidential information have been distributed only to elected members and officers of the Council.