



**COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

CABINET AGENDA

Monday 2nd September 2019, 6.00 pm

Council Chamber, Trinity Road, Cirencester,

NOTES

(i) Questions Arising on the Agenda

If any Member has any questions regarding either (a) an update/progress report on a specific item contained in the Minutes of the previous Meeting or (b) a report contained within the Agenda, he/she is requested to give advance notice of such question to the Director/Officer originating the report or to an Officer of the Democratic Services Section so that a full response can be made available either prior to, or at, the Meeting. If no such advance notification is given, a full response to any question cannot be guaranteed at the Meeting.

With specific regard to the Minutes of previous Meetings, Members' attention is drawn to Council Procedure Rule 17.1 which provides that, once the Minutes have been signed, Members may ask questions to ascertain what progress has been made on a particular matter referred to in the Minutes, but may not make any other statement or generate discussion on the Minutes.

(ii) Mobile Phones/Pagers

All mobile phones/pagers should be **SWITCHED OFF OR SET TO SILENT MODE BEFORE** the start of the Meeting.

(iii) Recording of Proceedings

The public proceedings of Council, Cabinet and Committee Meetings may be recorded, which includes filming, as well as audio recording. Photography is also permitted.

As a matter of courtesy, if you intend to record any part of the proceedings, please let the Committee Administrator know before the start of the Meeting.

Recording/filming should not be disruptive or distracting to the good order and conduct of the Meeting. To assist with this, an area of the Meeting venue will be designated from which proceedings can be recorded/filmed, and 'roaming' around the venue while recording is not permitted. The Chair will exclude anyone whose behaviour is disruptive.

Recording/filming should only be of Members and Council Officers, and not any members of the public (unless they are formally addressing the Meeting or unless specific permission has been given by those individuals).

For further information, please read the Notices displayed inside and outside the Meeting venue and/or speak with the Committee Administrator.

(iv) Committee Administrator

If any Member has any general questions about the Meeting or the associated agenda papers, or is unable to attend, he/she is asked to contact Ben Amor on 01285 623236 who will be the Committee Administrator responsible for the Meeting.

Distribution:

All Members of the Cabinet
(Councillors Rachel Coxcoon, Tony Dale, Andrew Doherty, Mike Evemy, Jenny Forde, Joe Harris, Mark Harris, Lisa Spivey, Clive Webster)

All other Councillors for information



Nigel Adams
Head of Paid Service

22nd August 2019

CABINET: 2ND SEPTEMBER 2019

AGENDA

- (1) **Apologies**
- (2) **Declarations of Interest**
 - (1) To receive any declarations of interest from Members under:-
 - (i) the Code of Conduct for Members; and/or
 - (ii) Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (any Councillor who has Council Tax payments remaining unpaid for at least two months must declare an interest and not participate in any matter affecting the level of Council Tax or arrangements for administering the Council Tax).
 - (2) To receive any declarations of interest from Officers under the Code of Conduct for Officers.
- (3) **Minutes** - To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 1st July 2019.
- (4) **Public Questions** - Council Procedure Rule 10 - Not more than fifteen minutes allowed for written questions to be put by Local Government electors within the Cotswold District on any matter in relation to which the Council has any power or duties or which affects the district, and which falls within the Terms of Reference of the Cabinet.

The following question has been submitted by Mr. David Fowles of Poulton to Councillor Joe Harris, Leader of the Council:-

'Given the following:

- a) that the leader of the Council was pivotal in the decision to move the times of Council and Cabinet meetings to 6.00pm (without full consultation) to enable greater engagement with the public*
- b) that when in opposition he was fiercely critical of the fact that there were only ever 4 Council meetings.*
- c) that several member and public questions, to say nothing of the rest of the Council agenda had items that demanded his input.*
- d) that it was the first Council meeting of the new administration and there was an important item on the agenda - the climate emergency to which members of the public had come to hear the debate.*

Cllr. Harris gave his apologies and we were informed that he was away on Council business.

Could he explain what Council business was more important than him attending a diarised Council meeting and where he in fact was?

Surely there is nothing more important as leader than attending his own Council and Cabinet meetings?

Could he also explain why it was not possible for a member of his recently expanded Cabinet to attend in his place?

Would he apologise for the discourtesy his absence showed to both elected members and members of the public?

Would he commit to always attending in the future?'

Note:

The above question was submitted by the time by which responses are guaranteed to be provided to the questioner at least 24 hours before the Cabinet Meeting (by virtue of the Council's Procedure Rules). Details of the response(s) will be provided to all Members of the Cabinet either in advance of, or at, the Cabinet Meeting.

- (5) **Member Questions** - Council Procedure Rule 11 - Not more than fifteen minutes allowed for written questions to be put by Members on any matter in relation to which the Council has any power or duties or which affects the district, and which falls within the Terms of Reference of the Cabinet.
- (6) **Leader's Announcements** (if any)

Items for Consideration and Decision

- (7) **Disabled Facilities Grant Policy**
- (8) **Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy**
- (9) **Flexible Homelessness Support Grant**
- (10) **2019/20 Business Rates Revaluation Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme**
- (11) **Funding for Climate Change Manager**
- (12) **Summary Finance / Service Performance Report 2019/20 (Quarter 1)**
- (13) **Review of Cotswold District Council's Hackney Carriage Table of Fares**
- (14) **Launch Date for Waste Service**
- (15) **Future Joint Waste Partnership and Waste Management Provision**

Other Matters

- (16) **Issue(s) Arising From Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit** (if any)
- (17) **Other Business** - Such other business that, in the opinion of the Chair, is urgent.

(18) **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

To consider, and if so agreed, to

RESOLVE that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public and Press be excluded from the Meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph (3) of Part I of Schedule 12A to the said Act (Information relating to financial or business affairs) and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information concerned.

**Item of Exempt Business
for Consideration and Decision**

(19) **Cirencester Property**

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