

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting	CABINET
Date and Time	WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH 2015, AT 10.00 A.M.*
Place	COUNCIL CHAMBER, APPLETREE COURT, LYNDHURST
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

***Members of the public may speak in accordance with the Council's public participation scheme:**

- (a) immediately before the meeting starts, on items within the Cabinet's terms of reference which are not on the public agenda; and/or**
 - (b) on individual items on the public agenda, when the Chairman calls that item.**
- Speeches may not exceed three minutes. Anyone wishing to speak should contact the name and number shown above.**

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AGENDA

APOLOGIES

1. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2015 as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interest must also be specified.

Members are asked to discuss any possible interests with Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To note any issues raised during the public participation period.

4. ADOPTION OF REVISED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (REPORT A)

To consider the adoption of a revised Statement.

5. HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT – PROGRESS REPORT 2015 (REPORT B)

To recommend to the Council the biennial report for submission to Government.

6. NATIONAL NON-DOMESTIC RATES – TRANSITIONAL RATE RELIEF 2015/16 AND 2016/17 (REPORT C)

To consider a policy to allow the Council to grant discretionary transitional rate relief for 2 years, to continue the Government's current transitional arrangements.

7. DELEGATION OF POWERS TO OFFICERS

The Council operates an extensive scheme of delegation of powers to officers, which allows decisions to be taken quickly and efficiently within defined polices.

For operational reasons it is necessary to authorise additional persons to be able to enter on land to assess potentially dangerous trees. The National Park Authority's tree team, who look after this Council's responsibilities in respect of protected trees, have agreed to undertake site visits to assess potentially dangerous trees on the Council's behalf and report back to the Council's officers with their findings. The National Park Authority's tree team therefore require authorisation from the Council to do this.

RECOMMENDED:

That the following delegation be approved:

SOURCE	POWER DELEGATED	DELEGATION TO
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s24	To be an authorised person and enter on any land for the purposes specified in section 24(1) of the Act	Senior Tree Officer (New Forest National Park Authority) or Tree Officer (National Park Authority), or Corporate Tree Manager, or Corporate Tree Officer

To: **Councillors:**

Mrs D M Brooks
Mrs J L Cleary
E J Heron (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

B Rickman (Chairman)
F P Vickers
C A Wise