

SUMMONS

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the District Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Appletree Court, Lyndhurst on Monday 12 December 2005 at 6.30 p.m.

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A buffet will be available for those members of the Council only who are attending the meeting direct from their place of work and who have requested refreshments. For those members the refreshments will be available in Appletree Pantry at 5.30 p.m.

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AGENDA

Apologies

1. Minutes (Paper A)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24 October 2005 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. Chairman's Announcements

4. 'Calshot Toilets - Petition

To receive a petition from Mr H L Holmes with regard to the Spithead Toilets at Calshot. The petition signed by over 1,500 beach hut owners and beach users, demands the on-going use of the Spithead Toilets at Calshot which are due to close in March 2006. The petition asks the Council to reconsider their decision to close the toilets and to take the necessary steps to allow the facilities to remain open.

5. Reports of Cabinet and Committees

Cabinet 2 November 2005 and 7 December 2005

(to follow)

Standards Committee 25 November 2005

6. Questions

Under Standing Order 22.

7. Portfolio Holders' Question Time

To ask questions of Portfolio Holders. Questions received will be tabled at the meeting. (Members are reminded that questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive or to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services by not later than noon on 9 December 2005.)

8. The Council Tax 2006/2007 Setting the Tax Base (Report B)

To agree the calculation of the Council Tax Base in so far as it relates to the Council function.

9. Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 – Delegations (Report C)

To agree the scheme of delegation of powers to officers, as set out at Appendix 1 to this report in so far as they relate to the Council functions.

10. Scheme of Delegation of Powers to Officers – Proper Officers

The Council appoints various Proper Officers, who are nominated under various pieces of legislation, to be responsible for specific roles. All Proper Officer appointments are the direct responsibility of the Council.

The National Assistance Act 1948 s.47(2) provides a mechanism to provide care for vulnerable elderly people. Historically, this Council has appointed a number of health professionals to discharge the function on its behalf. There has however been a recent change in the Health Protection Agency. As a consequence, this Council must appoint its own officers to act as the Proper Officers. Accordingly, it is

RECOMMENDED:

- (a) That the Assistant Director (Environmental Health, the Environmental Health Manager (Environmental Protection), Environmental Health (Commercial) Manager; and the Health Policy Development Manager be appointed as Proper Officers on the National Assistance Act 1948 s 47 (2); and
- (b) That the current delegations to Drs Barker, Beaton, Leonard and Rivet be rescinded.
- 11. Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent

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