

# 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, 9 December 2013 at 6.30 p.m.

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# AGENDA

## APOLOGIES

### 1. MINUTES (PAPER A)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2013 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. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **5. REPORT OF CABINET**

Cabinet

4 December 2013 (to follow)

## **6. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22**

Cllr D Harrison has submitted the following question Under Standing Order 22, which he wishes to ask the Leader of the Council: -

"Does the Leader of the Council share my shock that a recent poll of young people, aged between 18 and 24, revealed that only 12% intended to vote in forthcoming elections?"

(**Note:** Standing Order 40 provides that questions under Standing Order 22 shall be put and answered without discussion. The member who asked the original question may ask one supplementary question arising from the answer. The answer to either question shall not be discussed.)

## **7. QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A**

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 Friday, 6 December 2013.)

## **8. ABSENCE FROM MEETINGS – CLLR MISS ANN HICKMAN**

Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that if a member of a local authority fails to attend a meeting of the authority for a period of six consecutive months, he or she ceases to be a member thereof, unless the reason for non-attendance is approved before the expiry of the six-month period.

Due to ill health, Cllr Miss Hickman has not attended a meeting since 15 July 2013. In the circumstances the Council is requested to consider approving her absence and to grant her an extension of time of in which to attend a meeting. If the Council does not agree the recommendation below, Cllr Miss Hickman will cease to be a member of the authority on 14 January 2014, and the Council must forthwith declare her seat vacant.

### **RECOMMENDED:**

That Cllr Miss Hickman's failure to attend a meeting of the authority since 15 July 2013 be approved, and that she be granted an extension of a further six months in which to attend a meeting.

## **9. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS**

To consider any changes to the membership of Committees or Panels that might be proposed by the political groups.

## **10. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT**