

8th January 2010

Dear Councillor,

Town Council Meeting – Thursday 14th January 2010

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council, to be held in the Town Hall, Congleton on **Thursday 14th January 2010** commencing at **7.15 pm**.

The Public and Press are welcome to attend the meeting. There may be confidential items towards the end of the meeting which the law requires the Council to make a resolution to exclude the public and press.

Yours sincerely,



B Hogan
TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

As a mark of respect of the passing away of Dorothy Barnett, Town Burgess and former Town Mayor a two minute silence will be observed followed by a prayer from Reverend Paul Withington.

- 1 Apologies for absence. (Members are respectfully reminded of the necessity to submit any apology for absence in advance and to give a reason for non attendance).
- 2 Minutes
To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th December 2009 (enclosed).
- 3 Declarations of Interest
Members are requested to declare both “personal” and “personal and prejudicial” interests as early in the meeting as they become aware of it

4. Mayor's Announcements
 - a) To receive any announcements by the Town Mayor and to receive a list of the Mayor's Engagements (enclosed).
5. Outstanding Actions

None
6. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive any questions from Members of the Public, notified in advance in writing.
7. Cheshire East Councillors' Reports

To suspend Standing Orders to allow Councillors from the principal authority to report on relevant issues and to receive questions from members.
8. Town Hall Committee

To receive the minutes of the meetings held on 25th November 2009 and the 16th December 2009 and the Town Hall Lettings Policy and to consider any recommendations contained therein (enclosed).
9. Finance and Policy Committee

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2010 and to consider any recommendations contained therein (enclosed).
10. Planning Committee

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2010 (enclosed).
11. Accounts
 - (a) To approve payment of the accounts listed (enclosed).
 - (b) To approve payment of any expenditure agreed at this meeting.
12. Urgent Matters - Members Items

Members may raise urgent items but no discussion or decisions may be taken at the meeting.
13. Youth Committee
 - (a) To deal with Questions from Members of the Youth Committee present at the meeting.
 - (b) To receive a report on the bowling evening (enclosed).
14. Regeneration Strategy

To receive and consider a report on the Regeneration Strategy and accompanying recommendations. (enclosed)

15. Local Council Finance
To receive a presentation on Local Council Finance.
16. Budget and Precept 2010/11
To consider recommendations from the Finance and Policy Committee held on 7th January 2010, together with the associated report (enclosed) and relevant powers required to ensure the budget is lawful.
17. Medium Term Financial Strategy
To consider a report from the Change Management Consultant (enclosed)
18. Resolution to exclude the Public and Press (if necessary)
To consider passing a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that public and press be excluded from the meeting for the matters set out below on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of private and confidential information or staff matters.

To: Members of the Town Council, Press 3, Burgesses (6), Mayor's Chaplain,
Members of the Youth Committee
MP, Cheshire East Councillors, Library, Congleton TIC.

Extra Item for Discussion at the Town Council Meeting – Thursday, 14th January 2010

12. Urgent Matters – Members Items

To review and consider a press release on car parking charges produced by Cheshire East and to consider a response sent to Wesley Fitzgerald by the Leader of the Council Nigel Bayley.