Lewes District Council



Council Agenda

25 July 2007

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Lewes House, Lewes **10 July 2007**

John Crawford Chief Executive

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Council Meeting

Councillors are kindly requested to switch off their mobile phones prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Note: At the commencement of the meeting the Chair will ask for a period of silence to enable councillors to focus their thoughts on the meeting or to pray silently.

To: The Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Council on 25 July 2007 at 2.30pm in The Chamber, Pelham House, St Andrew's Lane, Lewes when it is proposed to transact the following business:

Please note the date, time and venue.

1 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council dated 23 May 2007 subject to the amendment of the text of Resolution 6.6 to read ".....If at least five members of the Committee......" (copy previously circulated).

- 2 Apologies for Absence
- Disclosure by councillors of personal interests in matters on the Agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the councillor regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct

4 Announcements

To receive any announcements from the Chair of the Council, Leader of the Council, Members of the Cabinet or the Chief Executive.

A list of the Chair of the Council's engagements since the Annual Meeting of

the Council on 23 May 2007 is enclosed – Appendix A.

Attached Documents:

Announcements

5 Questions from Members of the Public

To deal with questions which members of the public may wish to put to members of the Cabinet in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (if any).

6 Petitions

To receive petitions from councillors or members of the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.

7 Written Questions from Councillors

To deal with written questions which councillors may wish to put to the Chair of the Council, a Lead Councillor on the Cabinet or the Chair of any committee or sub-committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.

8 Ward Issues

To deal with ward issues which councillors wish to raise. A councillor wishing to raise a ward issue must notify the Chair of the Council prior to the commencement of the meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.8.

9 Urgent Decisions taken by the Cabinet

In accordance with Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17, to receive details of urgent decisions taken by the Cabinet at its meetings on 6 June 2007 and 23 July 2007 (if any).

10 Recommendations from Cabinet

To consider the Recommendations from the meetings of the Cabinet held on 6 June 2007 (Minute Extract herewith) and 23 July 2007 (if any) (and to receive questions and answers on those Recommendations) and to make resolutions thereon.

Attached Documents:

Recommendations from Cabinet

11 Recommendations from Scrutiny Committee

To consider the Recommendations from the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 21 June 2007 (Minute Extract herewith).

Attached Documents:

Recommendations from Scrutiny Committee

12 Notices of Motion

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13:

(a) Councillor De Vecchi has submitted the following Notice of Motion:

"That this Council strongly opposes any proposals to downgrade the

services available to the residents of Lewes District either at the Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath or the Eastbourne District General Hospital.

The Council further contends that the consultation process was deeply flawed. Residents should have been offered a coterminous or "joined-up" opportunity to comment on the future options affecting the delivery of their health services in both East and West Sussex, simultaneously."; and

(b) Councillor S B Davy has submitted the following Notice of Motion:

"That the Council respond to the Brighton and Hove/West Sussex Primary Care Trusts' consultation which was launched on Friday 22nd June for 18 weeks. The Trust is suggesting three options relating to the provision of health care in the area. However, consultation can disregard all of those options. The Council, which represents the people of Lewes District, is legally entitled to put forward a completely new and different option namely:

'Option 4 - That the Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath, retains full Obstetrics, thus ensuring the retention of an Accident and Emergency facility and the Intensive Care Unit'".

John Crawford Chief Executive

For further information about items appearing on this Agenda, please contact Alan Batty at Lewes House, 32 High Street, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 2LX. Telephone: 01273 484174.