

South Hams Council



Title:	Agenda																														
Date:	Thursday, 11th February, 2016																														
Time:	2.00 pm																														
Venue:	Council Chamber - Follaton House																														
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Substitutes:	Named substitutes are not appointed																														
Interests – Declaration and Restriction on Participation:	Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest not entered in the Authority's register or local non pecuniary interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda (subject to the exception for sensitive information) and to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on an item in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest.																														
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1. Minutes

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to approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10 December 2015

2. Urgent Business

the Chairman to announce if any item not on the agenda should be considered on the basis that he considers it as a matter of urgency (any such item to be dealt with under item 7 below);

3. Confidential Business

the Chairman to inform the meeting of any confidential item of business;

4. Exempt Information

to consider whether the consideration of any item of business would be likely to disclose exempt information and if so the category of such exempt information;

5. Declarations of Interest

Members are invited to declare any personal; or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting;

6. Chairman's Engagements

7. Business Brought Forward by the Chairman

to consider business (if any) brought forward by the Chairman as reported under item 2 above;

8. Questions

to consider the following question received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 8.

9. Notices of Motion

to consider the following motions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.1:

(a) By Cllrs Tucker and Wright

“That authority be delegated to a Member Working Group on behalf of the Council, to consider and submit a response to the Government’s technical consultation document on the future of the New Homes Bonus scheme. The Member Working Group is to consist of four Members, with appointments to be confirmed by Group Leaders.

The link to the consultation document is provided below:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/487095/151217_nhb_draft_condoc_published_version.pdf

(b) By Cllrs Pennington and Tucker

“The proposed four year reduction in the Settlement Funding Assessment (SFA) is likely to undermine vital essential statutory services which are efficiently provided by South Hams District Council. This is a view fully endorsed by our external auditors Grant Thornton in their Value for Money report 2014/15 in which they state:-

‘On the basis of our work and having regard to the guidance on the specified criteria published by the Audit Commission we were satisfied that in all significant respects the Council put in place proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ending 31 March 2015.’

Therefore, in view of the Council’s economic delivery of services, we request the Secretary of State for Local Government to seek agreement with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to return the SFA at the 2016/17 level over the next four years and also consider improvements in line with any inflation.”

(c) By Cllrs Green and Hodgson

“This Council hereby:

1. defers consideration as to whether to create a Local Authority Company for at least a year to enable the changes that are being implemented under the T18 process to become effective;
2. commits to carry out an impact assessment in conjunction with the business community to consider the effect which a large and highly competitive LACC would have on them and the wider local economy;
3. agrees to focus more resources on investigating options for savings and income generation for the next 2 – 4 years;
4. encourages West Devon Borough Council to consider extending its current waste contract for one year; and
5. commits to carry out an assessment into the feasibility of the SHDC waste team taking on the West Devon Borough Council waste contract.”

(d) By Cllrs Hodgson and Vint

“That the Overview and Scrutiny Panel be requested to invite a representative from the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to come and speak to a future Panel

meeting regarding their role in local enterprise and their involvement in the Devolution Bid. This would provide an opportunity for greater understanding of who is involved in the Heart of The South West Partnership.”

(e) By Cllrs Hodgson and Horsburgh

“Given the concerns of many local residents in the South Hams, this Council will make its concerns known to the Secretary of State for Planning regarding the new Housing Bill. This new legislation undermines local democracy and the provisions of localism in the planning process. The new measures proposed would allow for agreed development and policies in the Local Plan to be overturned against local views, public representation and without proper public consultation.”

- 10. Budget 2016/17**

to consider a report that presents the recommendations of the Executive on the proposals for the Council’s Budget for 2016/17

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- 11. Heart of the South West Formal Devolution Bid**

to consider a report that seeks to endorse the current approach to devolution and the drafting of proposals, their submission and negotiation of a deal for the Heart of the South West

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- 12. Members' Allowances Review**

to consider a report that presents the recommendations of the Independent Panel on Members Allowances

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- 13. National Planning Policy Framework Draft Consultation Response**

– to consider a report that presents a draft consultation response to the proposed changes to the National Planning Policy Framework

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- 14. Senior Pay Policy Statement 2016/17**

to consider a report that seeks approval to adopt the Senior Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17

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- 15. Reports of Bodies**

– to receive and, as may be necessary, approve the recommendations of the under mentioned Bodies:-

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Council Body	Date of Meeting
a Executive *	10 December 2015
b Development Management Committee	16 December 2015

c	Audit Committee	7 January 2016
d	Overview and Scrutiny Panel	14 January 2016
e	Development Management Committee	20 January 2016
f	Executive *	4 February 2016

*** Indicates minutes containing recommendations to Council.**