

6 January 2021

FULL COUNCIL

A meeting of the **Full Council** will be held on **Thursday, 14th January, 2021 at 10.00 am**. This will be a virtual meeting and you can observe the meeting [via our Youtube Page](#).

PHIL SHEARS
Managing Director

Membership:

Cllrs Austen, Bradford, Bullivant, Clarence, Colclough, Connett, Cook, D Cox, H Cox, Daws, Dewhirst, Eden, Evans, Foden, Goodman-Bradbury, Gribble, Haines, Hayes, Hocking, G Hook, J Hook, Jeffery, Jeffries, Jenks, Keeling, Kerswell, MacGregor, Morgan, Mullone, Nutley, Nuttall, Orme, Parker-Khan, Parker (Vice-Chair), Patch, Peart, J Petherick (Chair), L Petherick, Phipps, Purser, Rollason, Russell, Swain, Taylor, Thorne, Tume and Wrigley

Please Note: The meeting will be live streamed with the exception where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of the media and public.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Minutes**

(Pages 5 - 10)

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the previous Council meeting.

3. **Announcements (if any)**

Announcements only from the Chair of Council, Leader, Members of the Executive or the Managing Director.

4. **Declarations of interest (if any)**

5. **Public Questions (if any)**

Members of the public may ask questions. A maximum period of 15 minutes will be allowed with a maximum period of three minutes per questioner.

The deadline for questions is no later than 12 noon two working days before the date of the meeting.

6. **Councillor Questions (if any)**

Members of the Council may ask questions of the Council subject to procedural rules.

The deadline for questions is no later than three clear working days before the meeting.

7. **Office for National Statistics - Presentation**

A short presentation on the 2021 Census by Liza Oxford - the Office for National Statistics Census Engagement Manager for Teignbridge.

8. **Council Tax Base 2021/22**

(Pages 11 - 16)

To consider the Council Tax Base for 2021/22.

Recommendations from Committees to Full Council

9. **Recommendation from Executive - Future strategic planning working with Exeter City Council, East Devon District Council, Mid Devon District Council and Devon County Council**

The Executive Member for Planning to present the recommendation of the [Executive 3 November 2020](#).

The report was considered [Overview and Scrutiny Committee \(2\) 11 December 2020](#) and [Overview and Scrutiny Committee \(1\) 22 December 2020](#).

RECOMMENDED to Full Council that:-

- (1) It formally withdraws from the preparation of the Greater Exeter Strategic Plan; and
- (2) It supports in principle the production of a joint non-statutory plan, to include joint strategy and infrastructure matters, with East Devon, Exeter and Mid-Devon Councils, and in partnership with Devon County Council. This will be subject to agreement of details of the scope of the plan, a timetable for its production, the resources required, and governance arrangements to be agreed at a later date.

10. **Recommendation from Executive - Council Tax Reduction Scheme**

The Executive Member for Corporate Services will present the recommendation from [Executive 5 January 2021](#).

RECOMMENDED to Council that:-

- (1) the current [Council Tax Scheme](#) be adopted for the year 2021/22 with the one proposed change set out in the report.
- (2) the revised Discretionary Discount and Exceptional Hardship Scheme (see Appendix A) be adopted from 1 April 2021.

11. **Recommendation from Executive Notice of Motion - Preference Voting including proportional representation**

The Leader will present the recommendation from [Executive 5 January 2021](#).

RECOMMENDED to Council:-

- (1) To call upon Her Majesty's Government by writing to the Home Secretary, and the Prime Minister urging them to:-
 - a. commit to changing electoral law to permit such a move.
 - b. Introduce such a system of voting in any reforms to local government presented to Parliament; and
- (2) To write to Teignbridge's two MPs to ask them to call for changes in electoral law to permit such a system and promote the matter for debate in Parliament.

12. **Recommendation from Audit Scrutiny Committee**

The Committee Chair will present the recommendation of the [Audit Scrutiny Committee 17 December 2020](#).

RECOMMENDED to Full Council that the revision of the Contract Procedure Rules replaced the 2015 Contract Procedure Rules.

13. **Notice of Motion**

Notice of Motion's shall be referred to the Executive. The mover of the motion can outline the proposal and then it will stand adjourned. The motion may be debated to assist debate later if agreed by two-thirds of Council Members.

The following motion on the £20 uplift to Universal Credit to be made permanent has been presented by Cllr D Cox and supported by Dewhirst, G Hook, Parker and Wrigley.

Background provided by Cllr D Cox to the Motion:

Teignbridge Council strongly urge the Government to make the £20 uplift to Universal Credit permanent and extend this same support to those on legacy

benefits. By doing this, it will help keep families afloat and strengthen our social security system so it provides the public service we can all turn to when we hit hard times.

Teignbridge Council is ready to work with the Government to continue to prevent a rising tide of poverty in our society and ensure we achieve a recovery that is felt by everyone, and supports this through the retention of the 100% Council Tax support system, the only council in Devon to do so.

Council believes retaining the £20 Universal Credit uplift will support the wider economic recovery. Cutting support for those on the lowest incomes will reduce demand in the economy at a time when we are trying to secure a recovery.

Wording of Motion proposed by Cllr D Cox:

The Council resolves that:-

The Leader of the Council is therefore instructed to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Members of Parliament serving Teignbridge to call for the retention of the £20 Universal credit uplift.

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