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3 February 2025

EXECUTIVE

A meeting of the **Executive** will be held on **Tuesday, 11th February, 2025** in the **Council Chamber, Forde House, Brunel Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4XX** at **10.00 am**

PHIL SHEARS
Managing Director

Membership:

Councillors Buscombe, Goodman-Bradbury, Hook, Keeling (Leader), Nutley, Palethorpe (Deputy Leader), G Taylor, Williams and Parrott

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A G E N D A

Part I

1. Apologies for absence

2. Minutes

(Pages 5 - 10)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2025

3. **Announcements (if any)**

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

5. **Executive Forward Plan**

To note forthcoming decisions anticipated [on the Executive Forward Plan](#)

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

Members of the Public may ask questions of the Leader or an Executive Member. A maximum period of 15 minutes will be allowed with a maximum of period of three minutes per questioner.

7. **Final Financial Plan proposals 2025/26 to 2027/28** (Pages 11 - 88)

To consider the attached report and the views of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 4 February 2024.

[Agenda for Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 4th February, 2025, 10.00 am - Teignbridge District Council](#)

8. **Update on Future High Street Fund**

Executive Member for Economy, Estates and Major Projects to report.

9. **Notice of Motion The Lawns Covenant, Bishopsteignton**

The Notice of Motion referred from Council 29 October 2024, The Lawns Covenant, Bishopsteignton was deferred at the Executive meeting on 3 December 2024 at Councillor Macgregor's request to enable discussions with Bishopsteignton Scout Group to resolve the issue.

The Notice of Motion is set out below.

"In March 2023, the Bishopsteignton Scout Group was granted planning permission for a single storey building to be built at The Lawns, Bishopsteignton. (The Lawns, a former green space owned by Teignbridge District Council was sold to Bishopsteignton Parish Council for £25,000 over 20 years ago. Since then, the space has been looked after and maintained to an extremely high standard with Bishopsteignton matching with facilities and equipment, anything Teignbridge has done elsewhere and usually without the benefit of additional grants.) The Scout Group were forced to exit their previous location as it was condemned and no longer fit or safe for purpose. The Scout Group which serves multiple neighbouring parishes and towns then sought an alternative site to build anew. Discussions were held with estates who informed the Scout Group there was a covenant, but that it should not be an issue and to proceed to planning. Planning is an expensive process and the application was thorough, detailed and agreement was reached with all the officers on a way forward, leading the application to be passed. Since then, the project has stalled. The covenant, which is far from clearly articulated states the land must be used for recreational purposes. The Scout hut planned and approved is a recreational community building. It is not a housing or residential

development, and it is clearly within the scope of the use of The Lawns for recreation. The Monitoring Officer has quoted cases specific to the removal of any recreational use with plans for the land to be developed. He has stated that the council would be liable, however, as they are no longer the owner of the land their liability would be at the best limited, particularly as 85% of The Lawns area remains open recreational land. An alternative opinion has been sought that paints a quite different picture from that put forward by the Deputy Leader and the Council's Solicitor. That opinion suggests that there is leeway for the construction of a recreational community building and notes that the covenant is poorly framed. The Motion: In light of the commitment to being community led and noting the extensive community interest in this Scout Hut, the Scout Group itself and continuing need to provide recreational services for the children of Teignbridge this council wishes to amend the covenant to both allow this recreational community building to proceed as approved by planning officers and to strengthen the covenant for the future protection of this recreation land. This council seeks to engage an expert legal professional in the specifying and writing of covenants to carry out this work."

10. Dawlish – Marina Bowling Club, Sandy Lane, Dawlish

Report to follow

11. For Information - Individual Executive Member Decisions

[Executive Member Decisions](#)

Part II: Items suggested for discussion with the press and public excluded

NIL

**12. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 -
Exclusion of Press and Public**

It is considered unlikely that items on the agenda will be considered in Part II of the agenda, but if any item(s) is to be considered in Part II the Executive is recommended to pass the following:

RECOMMENDED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item(s) on the grounds that it (they) involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

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