



EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the **EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL** will be held at **LITTLEPORT LEISURE CENTRE, CAMEL ROAD, LITTLEPORT CB6 1EW, ON THURSDAY 21 OCTOBER 2021** commencing at **6.00pm** with up to 15 minutes of Public Question Time, immediately followed by the formal business, and you are summoned to attend for the transaction of the following business:

AGENDA

- 1. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** **[oral]**
The meeting will commence with up to 15 minutes Public Question Time
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** **[oral]**
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** **[oral]**
To receive declarations of interest from Members for any items on the Agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct
- 4. MINUTES – 15 JULY 2021**
To confirm as a correct record
- 5a. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** **[oral]**
- 5b. A minute's silence will be observed as a mark of respect following the death of former District Councillor John Gibb, Liberal Democrat Member for Dullingham from 1999 to 2003**
- 6. SOHAM NORTH BY-ELECTION RESULT, PROPORTIONALITY & MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES**
- 7. TO RECEIVE PETITIONS (IF ANY)** **[oral]**
- 8. NOTICE OF MOTIONS UNDER PROCEDURE RULE 10** **[oral]**

Community Land Trusts

This Council recognises the important role of Community Land Trusts across the world in holding land on behalf of a place-based community, while serving as a long-term steward for

affordable housing and other community assets. This Council supports the principle that development should take place in partnership with local communities, and with their support.

This Council notes that the administration has made working in alliance with CLTs across the District, and setting up its own District-wide CLT, its preferred way of meeting the need for affordable housing in East Cambridgeshire.

The Council notes however that trust in CLTs among members of the general public has been damaged as a result of concerns expressed by residents in Wilburton, Stretham, Kennett and most recently Little Thetford, related to:

- Some decisions and actions taken by CLTs in their villages, in particular concerning developments widely seen as not appropriate in scale or location for the communities in question;
- Worries that parish councils are being unduly influenced by CLT trustees, shown by the vote of no confidence in Wilburton and resignation en masse of councillors in Little Thetford;
- Further concerns about profits gained by landowners as result of choices made by CLTs.

The Council acknowledges its own responsibilities as a result of its public support to all these CLTs and believes that it is necessary to review the issues that have arisen in the four villages noted above. This review should have a specific focus on the relationship between ECDC and the CLTs in this district, to ensure that the involvement of CLTs as an integral part of council housing policy is seen as rational, safe and unambiguous, with an effective code of conduct in place. The following process for the review is proposed:

- a. Desk research, to review all relevant documents, to be provided by the CLTs in question.
- b. Written submissions, to be invited from residents in relevant villages and from landowners associated with the developments now being proposed.
- c. Interviews, to include a minimum of three trustees (or former trustees if none are in post now) from each CLT.
- d. Public meetings in each of the four villages, in which residents will be invited to provide feedback, evidence and views.

The review should be carried out by a politically proportional working group set up by the Finance & Assets Committee at their next meeting. This activity should be completed within three months of commencement and will report initially to the Finance & Assets Committee, and to Full Council directly afterwards.

In the meantime, no further CLT project-related financial commitments should be incurred by the Council or its companies until after the report, as defined in this motion, has been considered by Full Council.

Proposer: Councillor Simon Harries

Seconder: Councillor Lorna Dupré

9. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS (IF ANY) [oral]

10. PARKING ENFORCEMENT

**(a) Presentation by Superintendent James Sutherland,
Cambridgeshire Police [oral]**

(b) Referral-Up from Operational Services Committee

11. **SCHEDULE OF ITEMS RECOMMENDED FROM COMMITTEES AND OTHER MEMBER BODIES:**
 - a. **Treasury Operations Annual Performance Review**
 - b. **Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Principles – Three Year Review**
12. **EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL PLAN (SINGLE ISSUE REVIEW) – SECOND CONSULTATION**
13. **COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY INFRASTRUCTURE LIST AND GOVERNANCE**
14. **COMBINED AUTHORITY UPDATE REPORT**

To receive a report on the activities of the Combined Authority from the Council's appointee(s)
15. **ACTION TAKEN BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE ON THE GROUNDS OF URGENCY**



J Hill
Chief Executive

To: All Members of the Council

NOTES:

1. Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting. The Council has adopted a 'Purge on Plastics' strategy and is working towards the removal of all consumer single-use plastics in our workplace. Therefore, we do not provide disposable cups in our building or at our meetings and would ask members of the public to bring their own drink to the meeting if required.
2. There will be an announcement at the start of the meeting regarding the procedure to follow should the fire alarm sound during the meeting
3. Reports are attached for each agenda item unless marked "oral".
4. If required all items on the agenda can be provided in different formats (e.g. large type, Braille or audio tape, or translated into other languages), on request, by calling Main Reception on (01353) 665555 or e-mail:

translate@eastcambs.gov.uk

5. If the Committee wishes to exclude the public and press from the meeting, a resolution in the following terms will need to be passed:

“That the press and public be excluded during the consideration of the remaining item no(s). X because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the item(s) there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of Category X of Part I Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).”