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CAMBRIDGESHIRE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

**COUNCIL – 13 JULY 2017**  
**DECISION LIST**

Agenda Item No.	Report Ref.	Item	Issue	Decision	Action by
1.	-	Public Question Time	To answer questions from members of the public.	No public questions were submitted.	
2.	-	Apologies for Absence	-	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Allan, Austen, Green, Huffer, Morris, and Sennitt.	-
3.	-	Declarations of Interest	To receive declarations of interests from Members in respect of any items on the Agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.	No declarations of interests were received.	-
4.	-	Minutes – 25 May 2017	-	It was resolved:  That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 May 2017 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.	Democratic Services Manager
5.	S51	Soham North Ward By-Election Result	To receive details of the result of the Soham North By-Election held on 22 June 2017 and the allocation of seats on Committees, etc, arising therefrom.	It was resolved:  That the election of Councillor Mark Goldsack as a District Councillor for the Soham North Ward and the changes to the membership of Committees, etc, detailed in the Appendix tabled at Council, be noted.	Democratic Services Manager

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6.	-	Chairman's Announcements	Announcement of items of interest.	<p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <p>First and foremost, my sincere thanks to you my Council colleagues for the confidence you showed in me, in electing me as Chairman at the Annual Meeting. I apologise again for being unavailable that evening. I consider it an honour and a privilege to serve as Chairman of the Council again, and I undertake to serve you and the District to the very best of my ability.</p> <p>Those who know me well will be aware that I place considerable importance upon communication, hence the re-birth of my newsletter 'Chairman's Chat'. Bearing in mind its wide circulation, I will always be open to suggestions, as to what you would like to see included.</p> <p>During my term of office, I will be arranging a series of visits to local businesses for Council Members. The first of these will be on the morning of Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, when I have arranged for us to tour Dalham Hall Stud, which is the horse breeding empire of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed, the Ruler of Dubai. If this appeals to you, please make a note of the date in your diary. My PA, Lynne Smart, will be sending out details in due course and I</p>	-

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				<p>will be compiling responses. Believe me, it is well worth a visit.</p> <p>The Council's Civic Service will take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at St Andrews Church, Soham, at 3pm. This is an opportunity to give thanks for our good fortune for living and playing a part in public life, here in East Cambridgeshire. I hope I can count upon your support.</p> <p>I will be planning the Chairman's Reception for later in the civic year. I hope to be able to announce details at our next meeting.</p> <p>My chosen charity during the coming year will be the Alzheimer's Society. Whenever possible, I hope to raise funds for this very worthwhile charity, which provides care and research for people with dementia and their carers.</p>	
7.	-	To Receive Petitions	To receive public petitions.	No petitions had been received.	-
8.	-	Notice of Motions Under Procedure Rule 10	<p>The following Motion was proposed by Cllr Peter Cresswell and seconded by Cllr Hamish Ross:</p> <p>'In acknowledgement of the highly successful and profitable events organised by the Tourism and Town Centres Team, this service be re-titled the Tourism, Town Centres and</p>	On being put to the vote the motion was carried.	Director Commercial

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			Events Service by the Council and thanks be conveyed to the staff who have worked tirelessly to make these events so successful.'		
9.	-	To answer Questions from Members	To receive questions from Members of Council.	<p>With the permission of the Chairman, Councillor Derrick Beckett asked the following question regarding the Ely Southern Bypass:</p> <p>Councillor Beckett apologised for the late notice of the question, but he only had become aware of the issue yesterday. He drew attention to fact that the completion of the Ely Southern Bypass was to be delayed by 3 months due to the requirement for cabling works. The District Council had contributed to the scheme and residents and Councillors were desperate to see it opened. Therefore, Councillor Beckett asked if representations could be made Cambridgeshire County Council to express this Council's concern at the delay and to enquire why the issues that had caused the delay had not been identified prior to the commencement of the works.</p> <p>The Leader of the Council, Councillor Charles Roberts, responded by stating that this seemed like a reasonable request, as the Bypass was a complex project and it seemed legitimate to ask for an explanation as to why the issue with the cable had not</p>	Chief Executive/ Director Commercial

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				<p>been identified at an earlier stage.</p> <p>Councillor Shuter stated that he had received a briefing on the issue as a County Councillor and it was not due to the County Council but due to UK Power Networks and Network Rail. The delay and additional costs were very regrettable.</p> <p>The Chairman having put it to the Council, it was agreed that representations should be made to the County Council to register this Council's concern at the delay in the completion of the Bypass and request further explanation of the reasons for the delay.</p>	
10.	S52	Corporate Plan – End of Year Report	To receive the end of year report on the Corporate Plan Priorities for East Cambridgeshire District Council.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Council notes the progress against the Corporate Priorities of the Council as detailed within the End of Year Council Report 2016/17.</li> <li>2. That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be authorised to make any necessary amendments prior to publication.</li> </ol>	Chief Executive/ Performance Management Officer

11.	S53	Schedule of Items Recommended from Committees and Other Member Bodies	To consider and take decisions on items recommended from Committees and Other Member Bodies.	<p><b>a. LICENSING COMMITTEE – 17 MAY 2017</b></p> <p><u>Market Street Taxi Rank Consultation</u></p> <p>It was resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the taxi rank and public parking bays in Market Street Ely be re-organised so that the taxi rank be moved along Market Street to the junction of Market Street and High Street Back and the public parking bays be relocated along Market Street towards Market Place.</li> <li>2. That a review of city centre traffic management be conducted to include investigations into: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the possibilities for potential sites within the city centre for a 'holding area' for hackney carriages; and</li> <li>(b) the possibilities for taxi provision at the new leisure village.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>b. RESOURCES AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – 19 JUNE 2017</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <u>Review of Members' Allowances – Report of Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP)</u></li> </ol>	Senior Licensing Officer
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12.	S54	Appointment of Section 151 Officer	To consider the appointment of the Council's new Section 151 Officer.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That Mr Ian Smith be designated as the Council's Section 151 Officer under the Local Government Act 1972 and 1988.</p>	Chief Executive/ Monitoring Officer/ Democratic Services Manager
13.	S55	Amendment to Constitution - Contract Procedure Rules	To consider revised Contract Procedure Rules for inclusion in the Council's Constitution.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the revised Contract Procedure Rules attached as Appendix 1 to the submitted report be referred to Resources and Finance Committee for further consideration/clarification.</p>	Finance Manager/ Democratic Services Manager
14.		Combined Authority Update Report	To receive a report on the activities of the Combined Authority from the Council's appointees.	<p>It was resolved:</p> <p>That the report on the activities of the Combined Authority from the Council's appointees be noted.</p>	-