

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2009 AT 4.00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK**

Notice is hereby given of the above mentioned meeting of the Council which you are summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the business set out below:-

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

To declare any personal or prejudicial interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct and any possible contraventions under Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

Members should refer to the guidance included as part of this agenda.

- 3. Minutes**

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2009, Minutes Nos. 78-88 and 89, Page Nos. 58-63 and 64.

- 4. The Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence**

## 5. Questions in Accordance with Rule 8

The following question has been submitted by Councillor C.W.J. Morgan in accordance with Rule 8:

“Would the Environment Leader please give the actual income and expenditure figures for allotments for the financial year 2007-08? Would he also give a breakdown of these figures?”

The Environment Leader, Councillor A. Williams, will provide an oral response to the question.

## 6. Notice of Motion Under Rule 6

Council is asked to note that Councillor J.T. Kraujalis has agreed to withdraw his motion deferred from the meeting held on 21 January 2009 following advice received from the Section 151 Officer in relation to the requirements of the Policy and Budget Framework.

The subject matter of the motion shall instead be dealt with as part of an Alternative Budget proposal for the General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2011-12 (Agenda Item 7).

## 7. General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2011-12

Council is requested to consider recommendations referred from Cabinet held on 12 February 2009 in respect of the General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2011-12:-

- (i) Housing Capital Resources and Housing Revenue Account Capital Expenditure Requirements 2009-10 to 2010-11
- (ii) Housing Revenue Account Budgets 2009-10 and 2010-11
- (iii) General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2011-12
- (iv) General Fund Capital Programme 2008-09 and Resources 2008-09 to 2011-12
- (v) Section 106 Capital Programme 2009-10
- (vi) Treasury Management Strategy Statement

A copy of the proposed Council Resolution and Supporting Tables are enclosed.

Members will note that following changes to the Budget and Policy Framework. The Budget Statement will only include tables and information as referred to in the resolution. Details of the budget summary and fees and charges and other supporting information will be circulated to Members following final agreement of the budget.

In accordance with paragraph 2.3 of the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules, consideration will also be given to any valid alternative proposals presented by Political Groups and individual Council Members as a referral back to Cabinet. Any alternative budget proposals received will be circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

(Note: Members are requested to bring to the meeting the agenda and reports circulated for the Cabinet Meeting held on 12 February 2009 together with Cabinet's resolution of that day).

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## GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

### DEFINITION OF WHAT IS A PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

**A PERSONAL INTEREST** is one where your well-being or financial position, or those of a relative or friend would be affected by the decision.

You automatically have a personal interest if you have given notice in the Register of Members' Interests under Paragraph 14 and 15, e.g. if you are appointed to an outside body by the Council.

**A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST** is where a member of the public knowing the facts would reasonably regard the interest as so significant that it would prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

### PLEASE MAKE IT CLEAR WHETHER IT IS A PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST.

It would be helpful if, prior to the commencement of the meeting, members informed Legal & Democratic Services Unit of any declarations of interest, of which you are aware. This will help in the recording of the declarations in the minutes of the meeting.

### DECLARING INTERESTS AT FULL COUNCIL

The Code of Conduct only requires that personal interests (or personal and prejudicial interests) are declared where the matter to which the interest relates is being considered. Some items will be mentioned in the papers for full Council but are not actually being considered by Full Council. In particular, some items are mentioned as having been dealt with in Cabinet but are not actually mentioned or discussed at full Council. In such circumstances the Monitoring Officer's advice to Members is that there is no need to declare an interest unless the particular matter is mentioned or discussed. As a general rule, Members only need to declare an interest at full Council in the following circumstances:

- Where a matter is before the Council for a decision and/or
- Where the matter in which the Member has an interest is specifically mentioned or discussed at the Council meeting.