

To all Members of Stroud District Council

12 February 2020

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill on **THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2020 at 7.00pm.**



Kathy O'Leary
Chief Executive

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A G E N D A

- 1 **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies for absence.
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive declarations of interest.
- 3 **MINUTES**
To approve the Minutes of the Council's meeting held on 16 January 2020.
- 4 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
To receive announcements from the Chair of Council.
- 5 **GLOUCESTERSHIRE RESOURCES AND WASTE PARTNERSHIP**
To approve membership of the newly formed Gloucestershire Resources and Waste Partnership.
- 6 **ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE (IHRA) WORKING DEFINITION OF ANTISEMITISM**
To consider the adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism.
- 7 **DISPENSATION UNDER SECTION 85 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**
To approve the absence of Councillor David Mossman from Council meetings due to illness.
- 8 **EXTENSION TO DESIGNATION OF MONITORING OFFICER**
To extend the designation of the current interim Monitoring Officer.

9 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEE(S)

9a Audit and Standards Committee – 28 January 2020

The relevant committee report is also available on the website page for this Council meeting.

The Chair of Audit and Standards Committee will present this item:

9ai Treasury Management Strategy, Annual Investment Strategy and Medium Revenue Provision Policy Statement 2020/21 ([Agenda Item 10](#))

The Audit and Standards Committee RECOMMENDED that Council:

1. Adopt the prudential indicators and limits for 2020/21 to 2022/23;
2. Approve the treasury management strategy 2020/21, and the treasury prudential indicators;
3. Approve the investment strategy 2020/21, and the detailed criteria for specified and non-specified investments; and
4. Approve the MRP Statement 2020/21.

9b Strategy and Resources Committee – 30 January 2020

The relevant committee reports are also available on the website page for this Council meeting.

The Chair of Strategy and Resources Committee will present these items:

9bi The Fair Pay and Senior Pay Policy Statement 2019/20 ([Agenda Item 5](#))

That the statement is approved.

9bii Stroud District Council Capital Strategy ([Agenda Item 6](#))

To approve the Capital Strategy at Appendix A.

9biii The General Fund Budget 2020/21, Capital Programme, Medium Term Financial Plan and Council Tax Charges ([Agenda Item 8](#))

Strategy and Resources Committee RECOMMENDED to Council (and subject to the Government's final settlement announcements):

1. To approve the updated Medium Term Financial Plan as set out in Appendices A-E;
2. To increase the council tax by £5 p.a. to £212.52 at Band D, an increase of less than 10p per week for the services provided by Stroud District Council;
3. To note the uncertainty around the impact of changes to local government funding in 2021/22;
4. To approve the Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix E;
5. To approve the planned changes to the reserves as set out in Section 4 of the report and Appendix F;
6. To approve the fees and charges policy and list of Council fees and charges as set out in Appendices G and H.

In addition to the recommendations from the Strategy and Resources Committee, Council RESOLVES:-

7. To approve the Council Tax Charges for the District as set out in Appendix I.

9biv Housing Revenue Account (HRA) – Revised 2019/20 and Original 2020/21 Medium Term Financial Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 ([Agenda Item 9](#))

1. The revised HRA revenue budget for 2019/20 and original budget 2020/21 are approved.
2. The movement to and from HRA balances and capital reserves as detailed in Appendix B and section 9 are approved.
3. That from 1 April 2020:
 - i) Social rents and affordable rents are increased by 2.7%, in line with national rent guidance.
 - ii) Garage rents are increased by 2.7%.
 - iii) Landlord service charges are increased by 2.7%, except district heating charges which are decreased by an average of 21%.
As detailed in Appendix A.
4. That the HRA Capital Programme for 2019/20 to 2023/24, as detailed in Appendix C, be included in the Council's Capital Programme.