



STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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COUNCIL

To all Members of Stroud District Council

Wednesday, 17 April 2024

You are hereby summoned to attend Meeting of **STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud on **THURSDAY, 25 APRIL 2024** at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary
Chief Executive

Please Note: The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

If you wish to attend this meeting, please contact democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk. This is to ensure adequate seating is available in the Council Chamber.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 5 - 22)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 22 February 2024.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
To receive announcements from the Chair of Council, Leader of Council or Chief Executive.
5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
The Chair of the relevant Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures laid out in Section 3, Paragraph 8, of the Constitution.

Deadline for Receipt of Questions - Noon, Friday, 19 April 2024

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk

6. **MEMBER QUESTIONS**

See Agenda Item 5 deadlines for submissions.

7. **MOTION ON SUPPORT FOR ZANE'S LAW - PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR BEKI ALDAM AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CHLOE TURNER (Pages 23 - 26)**

The Council therefore RESOLVES to write to the Prime Minister, the Secretary of State for Health, and the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to express the Council's request for the funding and resources necessary for the efficient undertaking of the proposed principles of 'Zane's Law'; and to request that these ministers support Baroness Natalie Bennett, by all possible means, in her efforts to advance 'Zane's Law' through the House of Lords.

8. **RECOMMENDATION FROM HOUSING COMMITTEE**
Housing Committee 19 March 2024

The Chair of this Committee will present this item.

8a **SWEDISH TIMBER HOUSES - REDEVELOPMENT SITES (Pages 27 - 58)**

To consider the proposal to allocate the additional budget required.

9. **RECOMMENDATION FROM STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**
Strategy and Resources Committee 7 March 2024

The Chair of this Committee will present this item.

9a **VISITORS CAR PARK EBLEY MILL (Pages 59 - 72)**

To consider a proposed change from a visitors only car park at Ebley Mill to a public (charging) car park in response to requests from local residents and businesses to access the car park.

9b **COTSWOLD CANALS CONNECTED PROJECT UPDATE (Pages 73 - 98)**

To update the Committee on the revised approach to the delivery of the Cotswold Canals Connected project.

10. **M5 JUNCTION 14 FUNDING APPROVAL (Pages 99 - 106)**

This report sets out :

- The background to the pause in the examination of the draft Local Plan
- The Inspectors' concerns over M5 Junction 14
- The work that needs to be undertaken to progress the draft Local Plan (design and costing)
- The funding required to deliver the design and costing as set out in the Joint Action Plan

11. **UPDATES TO THE CONSTITUTION (Pages 107 - 152)**

This report brings forward to council recommended amendments to sections 2 (meeting of the council) and 4 (scheme of delegation) of the constitution, As approved by the Constitution Working Group at its meeting on 22 February 2024.

12. **GLOUCESTERSHIRE CITY REGION BOARD (Pages 153 - 166)**

To consider the emerging form and function of the Gloucestershire City Region Board (GCRB), the nature of its authority, terms of reference, membership and joint scrutiny arrangements.

13. **COUNTY DEAL AND DEVOLUTION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Pages 167 - 176)**
To note the emerging County Deal for Gloucestershire and to agree to the Leader of the Council signing the Devolution Memorandum of Understanding with Gloucestershire County Council on behalf of Stroud District Council.
14. **APPOINTMENT OF A MONITORING OFFICER (Pages 177 - 180)**
To appoint a Monitoring Officer.
15. **ORGANISATIONAL CHANGES (Pages 181 - 184)**
To advise Members on the arrangements for the redistribution of the responsibilities of the current Corporate Director and Monitoring Officer and to seek support for a process to identify and appoint one Strategic Director as Deputy Chief Executive.
16. **UBICO FIVE YEAR VISION AND BUSINESS PLAN 2024/25 (Pages 185 - 208)**
To provide an update on the Ubico Five Year Vision and Business Plan 2024/2025.