

5 February 2002

Dear Councillor

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

A meeting of the Council will be held at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden, on 12 February 2002 at 7.45 pm or at the conclusion of the question and answer session, whichever is the earlier.

Yours faithfully

ELIZABETH FORBES

Chief Executive

***Commencing at 7.30 pm, there will be an opportunity of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions and make statements subject to having given two working days prior notice.***

## **A G E N D A P A R T I**

- 1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.
- 2 To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 December 2001.
- 3 Business arising.
- 4 Chairman's communications.
- 5 Leader's communications.
- 6 Matters arising from Committees:
  - (i) Standards Committee 23 January 2002 – Minute S4 – New Ethical Framework – Roles and Responsibilities.
  - (ii) Special Health and Housing 23 January 2002 – Minute H25 – Housing Revenue Estimates and Rent Setting 2002/03
  - (iii) Resources Committee 24 January 2002 – Minute RE37 – Report on the Best Value Review of Corporate Services – Office Accommodation
  - (iv) Leisure (PFI) Board 12 December 2001 – Minute PFI146 and Leisure (PFI) Board 30 January 2002 – Minute PFI153 – Tax Advice Costs.

- 7 Capital and Leasing Programmes and General Fund Revenue Estimates and Council Tax 2002/03.
- 8 Housing Revenue Account Estimates and Rent Setting 2002/03.
- 9 Committee Timetable 2002/03.
- 10 The Council's Constitution - Amendments.
- 11 Public Service Agreement with Essex County Council.
- 12 Museum Management Joint Working Party/Museums in Essex Committee.

Councillor Morson is the Council's representative on the Museums in Essex Committee, and in this capacity also receives the papers and attends meetings of the Museum Management Joint Working Party. He is unable to attend meetings of the Museums in Essex Committee because it meets in the daytime.

Councillor Hibbs is one of the Council's representatives on the Working Party but would be able and willing to attend meetings of the Museums in Essex Committee.

In the circumstances, Councillor Morson, with Councillors Hibbs' consent, has asked that the Council appoint Councillor Hibbs as its representative on the Museums in Essex Committee in Councillor Morson's place, and Councillor Hibbs as one of its representatives on the Working Party instead of Councillor Morson.

- 13 To appoint a representative to the Road Safety Sub-Group of the Community Safety Action Team.
- 14 Notices of Motion

(i) To consider the following Notice of Motion proposed by Councillors Copping and Clifford under Council Procedure Rule 9:-

"That this Council

- 1) Views with serious concern the allocation of resources for policing our community which has resulted in remote and inadequate law enforcement;
- 2) Demands that positive action is taken by the police authorities to reduce acts of burglary, vandalism and anti-social behaviour in our towns and villages;
- 3) Co-ordinates a district-wide approach by all communities to make representations to the Essex Police Authority, the Police Federation, the Chief Constable and the Home Secretary in support of proposals to increase police presence and visibility in all areas;
- 4) Makes provision to ensure that community policing is reviewed at regular intervals within the Council's business programme."

(ii) To consider the following Notice of Motion proposed by Councillors O'Neill and Mrs Cheetham under Council Procedure Rule 9:-

“Uttlesford District Council is very strongly opposed to a second runway at Stansted Airport.

Uttlesford is the only area of South-East England not blighted by an excessively high level of noise and pollution from commercial air operations. The construction of a second runway at Stansted Airport would have a major adverse impact on traffic, housing and industrial development and seriously impair the amenity of a particularly beautiful part of Essex and East Hertfordshire.

Any further increase in capacity for civil aviation in the south-east if the need is proven should be directed to an offshore site providing an environmentally and sustainably acceptable solution.”

- (iii) To consider the following Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Jones under Council Procedure Rule 9:-

“Raves in indoor venues pose a serious and unacceptable problem in Uttlesford District and apparently cannot be dealt with satisfactorily under existing legislation. We therefore call upon the Government to review the legislation urgently and bring about essential changes to enable the problems to be addressed effectively.”

15 To consider questions (if any) under Council Procedure Rule 8.2.

16 Any other items which the Chairman considers to be urgent.

To: All Members of the Council

Lead Officer: Elizabeth Forbes  
Committee Officer: Mick Purkiss