Dear Councillor

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee will be held in the Committee Room at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden on Thursday 24 September 2009 at 7.45 pm, or at the conclusion of the question and answer session, whichever is the earlier.

Please note that there is a Treasury Management training session to take place at 6pm, on the same evening, in the Committee Room for all Members who wish to attend, light refreshments will be available.

Yours faithfully

JOHN MITCHELL

Chief Executive

Commencing at <u>7.30 pm</u>, 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 PART I

- **1.** Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.
- **2.** Minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2009.
- **3.** Business arising.
- 4. Chairman's Verbal Report (5 minutes).

Item for information

To receive the report of the Chairman of the Committee

5. Lead Officer's Report (15 minutes)

Item for decision

To receive the report of Director of Central Services

6. 2008/09 Treasury Management Outturn Report (20 minutes)

Item for decision

To receive the report of Chief Finance Officer

7. 2008/09 Outturn – Audit Adjustment (15 minutes)

Item for decision

To receive the report of the Chief Finance Officer

8. Matters arising from other Committees (15 minutes)

i. Environment Committee 15 September 2009

That Members recommend to Finance and Administration Committee the transfer of the following assets to Saffron Walden Town Council on tapering funding of up to 5 years:

- a) Jubilee Gardens, Dorset House Garden, Battle Ditches and Radwinter Road Cemetery from 1 January 2010 and for them to maintain as a public amenity in perpetuity and,
- b) the transfer to Saffron Walden Town Council the responsibility for the future maintenance of flower beds and all grounds maintenance work associated with the verge of the following road junctions: East Street and Audley Rd, Thaxted Road and Radwinter Rd, Borough Lane and London Rd/Newport Rd, South Road/Mount Pleasant Rd, Little Walden Road and Catons Lane from 1 January 2010 for them to maintain as a public amenity in perpetuity.
- ii. Community and Housing Committee 18 June 2009

Resolved that a proposal be made to the Finance and Administration Committee to set up a pump priming capital fund of £50,000 to enable the renovation of long term empty dwellings following the service of Empty Dwelling Management Orders.

Items for decision

9. 2009/10 Budget Monitoring – Finance & Administration Committee (10 minutes)

Item for decision

To receive the report of the Chief Finance Officer

10. Budget Monitoring - Corporate (15 minutes).

Item for decision

To receive the report of the Chief Finance Officer

11. Any other items that the Chairman considers to be urgent.

PART 2

(Consideration of an item containing exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972)

Members are reminded that Part II reports are confidential and as such paragraph 3.4 of the Members Code of Conduct applies. The prohibition on disclosure includes disclosure to Members who are not Members of the Committee which receives the reports.

12. Insurance Renewals (15 minutes)

Item for decision

To receive the report of the Chief Finance Officer

To: Councillors <u>R P Chambers</u>, R Clover, J E N Davey, K L Eden, A Dean, D M Jones, A J Ketteridge, T P Knight, R M Lemon, H S Rolfe, G Sell, R D Sherer, A D Walters and P A Wilcock.

Lead Officer: Adrian Webb
Democratic Services Officer: Catharine Roberts

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