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3 April 2013

To: All Town Councillors

Dear Sir or Madam

I hereby give notice that a meeting of the **Biggleswade Town Council** will take place on **Tuesday 9 April 2013** at the **Offices of Biggleswade Town Council, The Old Court House, 4 Saffron Road, Biggleswade** commencing at **7.00 pm** in order to transact the undermentioned items of business.

Yours faithfully



R.D.McGregor
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To receive Statutory Declarations of Interests from Members in relation to:

- (a)** Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in any agenda item
- (b)** Non-pecuniary interests in any agenda item

Members may participate in and vote on matters before the Central Bedfordshire Council Development Control Committee on which they have already expressed a concluded view in their position as a Town Councillor so long as they declare their membership of the Town Council and the way they voted on the Town Council consideration of the application.

In addition, the decisions of the Town Council in respect of planning applications would not be binding on those members of the Council who hold office at the Town Council and the Central Bedfordshire Council Development Control Committee.

3. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

A period of up to 15 minutes is permitted to allow members of the public to ask questions that are pertaining to matters listed on this Agenda.

4. INVITED SPEAKER

There is no invited speaker.

5. MEMBERS QUESTIONS

6. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MEETINGS

- a.** For Members to receive the minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 March 2013 at the Offices of Biggleswade Town Council, The Old Court House, Saffron Road, Biggleswade.

7. **MATTERS ARISING**

- a. Council meeting held on 26 March 2013.

8. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a. **CB/13/00991/FULL – 9 Chapel Fields, Biggleswade**
Erection of no 2 one bedroom flats
- b. **CB/13/00360/FULL – Warehouse, Bonds Lane (rear of 11-13 Market Square), Biggleswade**
Conversion of warehouse to 2 no residential units.
- c. **CB/13/01033/FULL – 4 Oak Crescent, Biggleswade**
Erect a PVCU Conservatory/Verandah to the rear

9. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- a. **Consultation on Proposed Modifications to the ‘Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Strategic and Policies**

The Hearings into the ‘Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Strategic Sites and Policies’ for Bedford, Central Bedfordshire, and Luton, ended on Thursday 24 January 2013. As a result of issues raised during the Hearings, the ‘Joint Authorities’ BBC, CBC and LBC) have prepared the Proposed Modifications for public consultation for a period of six weeks, beginning at **9am on Tuesday 2 April 2013 and finishing at 5pm on Wednesday 15 May 2013.**

A copy of the proposed modifications is attached for Members to consider.

10. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- a. **Work to Trees – Beaumont Park Nursing Home, Shortmead Street, Biggleswade**

CBC has received an application to carry out work to trees, at the above address protected by a Preservation Order: T1 Plane Tree: Prune back to previous pruning points, reduce laterals on west side by up to 1.5m, reduce laterals on east side by 1.5m. T2 Sycamore raise the crown 3m reduce laterals all around. T3 Line tree: Re pollard. Lime tree in Group G2: Pollard. The trees are protected by Tree Preservation Order no MB/TPO/88/00004.

Work to trees within Biggleswade Conservation Area: C2, C3, C4 & C5 Oak trees: reduce laterals, on C5 by 1.5m

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12. **EXEMPT ITEMS**

The following resolution will be moved that is advisable in the public interest that the public and press are excluded whilst the following exempt item issue is discussed.

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the public bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Council resolve to exclude the public and press by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.