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8 July 2015

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 14 July 2015** 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. **TOWN MAYORS' ANNOUNCEMENTS**

4. **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.

5. **INVITED SPEAKER**

6. **MEMBERS QUESTIONS**

7. **MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MEETINGS**

- a. For Members to receive and approve the minutes of the **Council meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2015** at the Offices of Biggleswade Town Council, The Old Court House, Saffron Road, Biggleswade
- b. For members to approve the **recommendations of the Public Lands and Open Spaces Committee meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2015** at the Offices of Biggleswade Town Council, The Old Court House, Saffron Road, Biggleswade. A copy is attached to this agenda.

Regarding **Item 7a, request for a Splash Park in Biggleswade**, paperwork was circulated with the agenda for the PLOS Committee meeting. Further information on costs has since been received and is attached to this agenda.

8. **MATTERS ARISING**

9. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a. **CB/15/02164/FULL – 4 Eagle Farm Road, Biggleswade**  
Single storey rear extension.
- b. **CB/15/02282/FULL – 11 Warren Close, Biggleswade**  
First floor side and rear extension
- c. **CB/15/02229/FULL – 18 Drove Road, Biggleswade**  
Single storey rear/side extension
- d. **CB/15/02278/FULL – Holmegate, Sheep Walk, Langford Road, Biggleswade**  
Ground floor side extension to an existing bungalow following the line of the existing roof pitch
- e. **CB/15/02243/FULL – 12 Kitelands Road**  
Extension to garden fence and gates.
- f. **CB/15/02287/ADV – 20 Market Square**  
Advertisement: installation of 1 No. internally illuminated fascia and 1 No. internally illuminated projecting sign.
- g. **CB/15/01970/FULL – Land at Shuttleworth Court**  
Construction of 7 two bed houses, 1 three bed house and 2 two bed elderly persons bungalows. Formation of access and associated parking modification of existing parking to provide additional spaces for existing Shuttleworth Court. External works comprising of landscaping to new area and modification to existing.
- h. **CB/15/02390/FULL – Stratton Business Park, Pegasus Drive, Biggleswade**  
Construction of new access road together with ancillary works
- i. **CB/15/02404/FULL – Land South of, Potton Road, Biggleswade**  
New footpath to link temporary community centre car park (app ref: CB/14/00145/FULL) with new primary school for a maximum of 12 months until permanent school drop off facilities have been completed.
- j. **CB/15/02305/FULL – 1 Brunts Lane, Biggleswade**  
First floor extension

10. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- a. **Maunder Avenue footpath**

Cllr D Albone has requested an agenda item for Members to consider the lack of a footpath at Maunder Avenue.

**b. Proposed Emergency Temporary Road Closure at Potton Road, Biggleswade**

Central Bedfordshire Council have requested a Proposed Emergency Temporary Road Closure at Potton Road to enable Gas connection works to be carried out safely.

Central Bedfordshire Council are looking for permission to be granted to use the road stated within the diversion map attached as a diversion route.

**c. Community Engagement Day Biggleswade Evaluation 2015**

Please find documents attached.

**d. Canoes on the River Ivel**

For Members to consider an email request from the Secretary of the Ivel Protection Association regarding canoes being launched from Biggleswade Mill.

I have been asked by the IPA delegates to seek out Biggleswade Town Council's rules about canoe launching from Biggleswade Mill. The Ivel was closed to navigation back in 1868 and the river as you know is very narrow through the section from the mill to the road bridge. Often a canoe club launch at this venue and several canoes come through here with complete disregard for angling. I understand this is not an easy situation but can you let me know the Council's response.

**e. River Safety at the weir by Biggleswade Mill**

Cllr B Briars has requested an agenda item for Members to consider river safety at the weir by Biggleswade Mill.

**11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**a. Central Bedfordshire Council Footpath Orders – Footpaths 39 and 58**

Please find copies of the orders attached.

**b. East Coast Main Line level crossing closure feasibility study**

Please find attached an update from Network Rail, setting out the project status and revised approach to closing level crossings on the East Coast Main Line as of 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015.

**c. Re-modelling of the Household Waste Recycling Centres**

Please find attached information on the works being carried out at the Biggleswade Household Waste Recycling Centre and an invitation for representation from the Town Council to attend the reopening ceremony.

**d. Biggleswade Joint Committee**

Draft minutes of the Biggleswade Joint Committee meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015 are attached for information.

**12. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION**

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**13. EXEMPT ITEMS**

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

Agenda Item (15a)

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.