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TO: THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

11 June 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

A Meeting of the Babergh District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Corks Lane, Hadleigh on **Tuesday, 19 June at 9.30 a.m.**

For those wishing to attend, prayers will be said at 9.25 a.m. prior to the commencement of the Council meeting.

Yours faithfully

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PART I1 MINUTES

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2012 as a correct record.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members to declare any interests as appropriate in respect of items to be considered at this meeting.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paper
M44

In addition to any announcements made at the meeting please see Paper M44 attached detailing events attended by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

5 TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF PETITIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 13

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 13, the Chief Executive will report the receipt of a petition as detailed below. There can be no debate or comment upon this matter at the Council meeting.

Application No. B/12/00266 – Erection of decking to front of Public House, The Butt and Oyster Inn, Pin Mill Road, Chelmondiston

Petition signed by approximately 28 residents of Babergh, expressing support for the application. The petition was reported to the meeting of the Development Committee held on 16 May 2012 and will be taken into account when the application is determined.

6 RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

(a) The Localism Act 2011 – Adoption of Revised Code of Conduct for Members (Joint Standards Committee 7 June 2012)

Paper
M33

The Monitoring Officer presented Paper M33, asking the Joint Committee to recommend the adoption of the Suffolk Standards Code (Appendix 1 to the report) and to agree arrangements for the complaints procedure.

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That the Suffolk Local Code of Conduct For Members at Appendix 1 to Paper M33, subject to minor amendments to reduce the use of abbreviations, be adopted in place of the existing Code of Conduct with effect from the [earliest] date prescribed by law and subject to the Monitoring Officer being authorised to make additions in accordance with the law.
- (2) That the adoption of the Suffolk Local Code of Conduct be publicised on the Council's website.
- (3) That the Monitoring Officer be designated as the Proper Officer under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011 to receive applications for dispensations.

(b) Babergh Core Strategy (2011-31; Submission Version): Proposed Changes (Strategy Committee 14 June 2012)

Paper
M39

The Strategy Committee on 14 June will consider Paper M39 and be asked to **RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL**

- (1) That the proposed actions and limited changes to the Submission Draft Local Plan Core Strategy and Policies document (as attached at Appendix B to Paper M39) that require a new round of public consultation be agreed. Further, that the Head of Economy be authorised to make basic edits / corrections / consistency changes as necessary prior to commencement of the formal consultation process.
- (2) That proposed arrangements for public consultation and the associated timetable for progressing the Core Strategy towards adoption be noted.

The result of the Strategy Committee's deliberations will be reported to the meeting.

Note: Map B (Hadleigh) shows an amended boundary to the 'Area of Strategic Development'. Strategy Committee will be asked to note and approve the minor correction required to this boundary.

7 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Chairmen of Committees to answer any questions from the public of which notice has been given no later than midday two working days before the day of the meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 14.

8 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

The Chairman of the Council and the Chairmen of Committees and Sub-Committees to answer any questions on any matters in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the District and which fall within the terms of reference of that Committee or Sub-Committee of which due notice has been given in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No. 15.4 (a) and (b).

9 ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF STANDARDS FUNCTIONS

Paper
M45

Report by the Monitoring Officer attached.

10 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES – COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 5

To appoint a Conservative substitute to the pool for the Overview and Scrutiny (Community Services) Committee.

11 APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE AND SUBSTITUTE TO THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL FOR SUFFOLK

Members will be aware that at the Annual Council meeting on 24 April, they considered a report from the Head of Democratic Services at Suffolk County Council (Paper M12) relating to the establishment of a Police and Crime Panel. The recommendations in 2.1 to 2.4 of Paper M12 were approved, as summarised below:-

- The arrangements for the establishment of a joint committee, to be known as the Suffolk Police and Crime Panel and to be hosted by Suffolk County Council.
- Each District Council to have one representative on the Panel, and the County Council four, to achieve political balance across Suffolk.

Members decided to defer the appointment to the Panel of a Babergh representative and substitute, pending further thought being given to this aspect.

The Chief Executive to report that, in the light of the legal requirement to achieve political balance on the Panel across Suffolk and following discussions with the County Council's Leader and its Head of Democratic Services, it appears that this can best be achieved by the Babergh representative and substitute being appointed from the Independent Group on the Council. As previously advised, the named substitute (who will have full voting rights) will need to be from the same political Group.

Babergh's Political Group Leaders have been made aware of the reasons for representation being from the Independent Group and agreement has been reached on the Members proposed, being as follows:-

- Member representative – Rex Thake. Substitute – David Rose.

It is recommended

That the appointment of a Babergh representative and substitute on the Suffolk Police and Crime Panel from the Independent Group on the Council be confirmed, and that Councillors R W Thake and D C Rose be appointed as Babergh's representative and substitute member respectively for the remainder of the current term of office.

For further information on any of the Part 1 items listed above, please contact Linda Sheppard on 01473 826610 or via email at committee.services@babergh.gov.uk