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Dear Councillor,

Council Meeting

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the Meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on **MONDAY, 2nd March 2015** at **6.00 p.m.** to transact the business set out on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive

To:- **Conservative Group**

Councillor Murray (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Hood, Harrison, Hewlett, Jones, Lemmon, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Smith, Stanton, Mrs. Watson, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Mead, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley and Wilkins.



A G E N D A

- (1) Apologies.
- (2) To confirm the Open Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 9th February 2015 (CL/104-CL/119)
- (3) To receive any declarations of interest arising from any items on the agenda.
- (4) To receive any announcements from the Chairman, Leader and Head of Paid Service.
- (5) To receive any questions by members of the public pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 10.
- (6) To receive any questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 11.

PART I - ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PUBLIC (OPEN)

- (7) COUNCIL TAX SETTING 2015/16 - (REPORT TO FOLLOW PENDING NOTIFICATION OF ALL PRECEPTS)
- (8) EVALUATION OF THE GENERAL FUND RESERVE AND OPTIONS FOR UTILISATION

The report will consider the scope for utilising uncommitted general reserves and options for its utilisation to cover:

- Increasing investment in the Community Partnership Scheme
- Options for relieving the burden of Council Tax, short of a reduction in Band D rate
- Allocating funds for bids for projects benefitting the community
- Council efficiency to reduce costs and hence future pressure on the level of Council Tax

This is in accordance with a resolution from the Finance and Management Committee on 19th February 2015 following consideration of the final budget proposals and Council Tax Rate for 2015/16.

- (9) LOCAL PLAN PART 1 – HOUSING REQUIREMENT
- (10) To receive and consider the Open minutes of the following Committees:-

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Minutes Nos</u>
Environmental & Development Services (Special Budget)	08.01.15	EDS/66-EDS/73
Housing & Community Services (Special Budget)	13.01.15	HCS/51-HCS/58
Finance & Management (Special Budget)	15.01.15	FM/89-FM97
Overview & Scrutiny	21.01.15	OS/30-OS/40

Environmental & Development Services	29.01.15	EDS/74-EDS/85
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- (11) To review the compositions of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels for the remainder of the municipal year.
- (12) To review the compositions of Substitute Panels.
- (13) To review representation on Outside Bodies.

PART II

THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS (EXEMPT)

- (14) The Chairman will therefore move:-

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in the reports of Committees.

- (15) To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 9th February 2015 (CL/120 – CL/123)
- (16) To receive any questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 11.
- (17) RISK BASED VERIFICATION FRAMEWORK and POLICY