

Ringwood Town Council

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POLICY & FINANCE

Dear Member

11 September 2008

A meeting of the above Committee will be held at "Greenways" on **Wednesday 17 September** at 7.00pm* or at the conclusion of the public participation session at 7.10pm and your attendance is requested.

T R Simpson
Town Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

*The meeting will be preceded by a public participation period of up to 10 minutes at 7.00pm. If no member of the public wishes to speak to the Council, the meeting will start at 7.00pm.

Members of the public are also entitled to speak during the meeting on individual items on the public agenda in accordance with the Council's public participation scheme.

Prior to the meeting, to receive:

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest

AGENDA

1. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2008.
2. **Financial Reports (attached):**
 - a) To receive and authorise list of payments made on Imprest Account in July and August
 - b) To receive and authorise list of Petty Cash payments for July and August
 - c) To receive Statement of Town Council Balances
 - d) To authorise Inter Account Transfers
 - e) To note the Finance Manager's report and receive Summary Budget Reports for period April 2008 to August 2008
3. **Grant Aid**
To consider an application for grant aid from New Forest Disability Information Service (*attached*)
4. **Flexible Retirement Policy**
To consider recommending to Council the adoption of a Flexible Retirement Policy as set out in section 7 of the *attached* report to New Forest District Council's General Purposes and Licensing Committee, and as required by changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme. With regard to paragraph 7.1.7, it is recommended that all cases be considered by the Town Clerk, Town Mayor and Chairman of Policy & Finance Committee, with the exception of any request by the Town Clerk, which should be considered by Council.

5. **Local Government Pension Scheme – Discretionary Policies**

To consider recommending to Council the adoption of a revised Pension Policy Statement, as required by changes to the LGPS (*report attached*)

6. **Hampshire Association of Local Councils AGM**

a) To consider whether to support two resolutions under item 13 of the Hampshire Association of Local Councils Agenda for the AGM on 27 September (*attached*)

b) To consider Agenda Item 7 proposals for membership fees for 2009/10, which would result in an increase from £665 paid in 2007/08 to £748 for 2009/10 (*attached*)

If you would like further information on any of the agenda items, please contact Terry Simpson on (01425) 473883 or email terry.simpson@ringwood.gov.uk.

Committee Members

Cllr J D Heron (Chairman)

Cllr W S Rippon-Swaine (Vice Chairman)

Cllr N J Chard

Cllr N R G Clarke

Cllr M J Urwin

Cllr B Woodfield

Ex Officio Members

Cllr B H Terry (Mayor)

Cllr L C Ford (Deputy Mayor)

Student Advisors

James Fullick

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Copied to other members for information.