



North Weald Bassett

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TO: ALL COUNCILLORS

You are hereby summonsed to attend **An Extraordinary Meeting** of the **Parish Council** which will be held on **Monday, 22nd June 2015**, in the **North Weald Library**, High Road, North Weald Bassett at **6.30pm** to transact the business shown in the Agenda below.

Cyril Hawkins

Chairman of the Council

Members of the public and press are invited to attend this meeting

PLEASE NOTE THE TIME OF THIS MEETING

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 🖐

To **RECEIVE** any apologies for absence.

2. OTHER ABSENCES

To **NOTE** any absences for which no apology has been received.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To **RECEIVE** any Declarations of Interest by Members.

A Member with a personal interest in a matter must consider whether it is a Disclosable Pecuniary, Non Pecuniary or Other Pecuniary Interest, and declare it accordingly. A Member who is unsure as to how to declare their interest should seek independent advice

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

To **RECEIVE** questions from members of the public.

In accordance with an agreed procedure, the time allocated for public questions shall be limited to 15 minutes or such other period determined by the Chairman of the Meeting.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA PLAN 🖐

a) Review Of EFDC Meeting

Following the receipt of the Opinion and advice from the Barrister – Mr Michael Rudd details were circulated to all EFDC Cabinet members and relevant EFDC personnel . Despite this, EFDC Cabinet agreed by way of a vote at Thursday 11th June meeting to designate the amended area **as proposed** by EFDC. The

meeting can be viewed on the EFDC website by clicking on the link below (discussion timed between 19.46 and 20.14)

http://www.eppingforestdc.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/176143

Members are advised that there are some very interesting contradictions spoken at this meeting including the Planning Portfolio Holder saying 'these are strategic sites', followed by the Planning Policy Manager stating 'no strategic sites have been identified as we haven't got that far in producing a draft'.

The options available to the Parish Council at this time include :

- Accept the decision of Epping Forest District Council to exclude part of the Hastingwood and Thornwood ward from the Neighbourhood Area Designation, and move forward with the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan covering only that area covered in the plan.
- As above, with the understanding that if / when Epping Forest District Council formally allocate strategic sites for development in the excluded area, and request is made to alter the designated area (Councillors are asked to note that this could involve much duplicated work).
- To Challenge Epping Forest District Council on their decision to designate a different area to that proposed by the Parish Council, by way of a Judicial Review (cost implication)
- Not to move forward with a Neighbourhood Plan at this time, and wait until such time as Epping Forest District Council are further along in the Local Plan process, with development sites having already been clearly identified and agreed by the District Council.

Dependent on the decision that Members decide to take, may then involve the potential for Legal Proceedings, therefore it will be necessary for part of the discussion to take place under the confidential item on the Agenda as detailed within the pink pages.

b) Essex County Council Waste & Minerals Plan – Call For Sites – Area at the Rear of the County Highways Site – M11 Roundabout Junction 7 (adjacent to McDonalds Restaurant)

Following the notification that this area has been included for a large Recycling Facility (type Currently unknown) by Essex County Council in their current call for sites. The Principal Administrative & Financial Officer attended a Meeting at County Hall to discuss the Waste & Minerals Plan, Further information will be given at the meeting.

6. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS 

In the event that the Agenda contains Exempt (pink) pages, or an item needs to be discussed confidentially, to **CONSIDER** the following motion to be proposed by the Chairman:

“That the public and the press be excluded from the meeting, the Council believing that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be discussed.”

There is currently **ONE** confidential item to be considered

