

# Council

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

## Tuesday, 31st October 2006

In the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Chorley



#### **Chief Executive's Office**

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Dear Councillor

#### **COUNCIL - TUESDAY, 31ST OCTOBER 2006**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Chorley Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Chorley on <u>Tuesday, 31st October 2006</u> commencing at <u>6.30 pm</u> for the following purposes.

#### AGENDA

#### 1. Apologies for absence

#### 2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

Members of the Council are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, then the individual Member should not participate in a discussion on the matter and must withdraw from the Council Chamber and not seek to influence a decision on the matter.

#### 3. Minutes (Pages 1 - 14)

To confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 19 September 2006 and the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 11 October 2006 as a correct record for signature by the Mayor (Copies enclosed)

#### 4. Mayoral Announcements

#### 5. **Executive Cabinet**

a) **Public Questions/Speaking at Council Meetings - Recommendations** (Pages 15 - 20)

Report enclosed

b) <u>General Report</u> (Pages 21 - 24)

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#### 6. **Development Control Committee**

a) Planning Application 06/00850/CB3 - Land South Of Vertex Training And Conference Centre, Little Carr Lane, Chorley (Pages 25 - 32)

Report enclosed

b) Planning Application 06/00851/CB3 - Creation of Access Junction off the Proposed Eaves Green Link Road on land 20m South of 24-26 The Bowers, Chorley (Pages 33 - 40)

Report enclosed

c) <u>General Report</u> (Pages 41 - 44)

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#### 7. Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Panels (Pages 45 - 50)

General Report (Copy enclosed)

### 8. <u>Licensing and Safety Committee and the Statutory Licensing Committee</u> (Pages 51 - 54)

General Report (Copy enclosed)

#### 9. Audit Committee (Pages 55 - 58)

General Report (Copy enclosed)

#### 10. <u>General Purposes Committee</u> (Pages 59 - 60)

General Report (Copy enclosed)

#### 11. <u>Appointments to Executive Cabinet and Environment and Community Overview</u> <u>and Scrutiny Panel/Chorley Community Safety Partnership (Chairman)</u>

The Council is requested to approve the following changes to the membership of the Executive Cabinet and the Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

- Councillor Alan Cullens be appointed Executive Member for Resources replacing Councillor Greg Morgan on the Executive Cabinet.
- Councillor Greg Morgan be appointed Chairman of the Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel, replacing Councillor Alan Cullens
- To replace Councillor Alan Cullens with Councillor Eric Bell as Chairman of the Chorley Community Safety Partnership

#### 12. Questions Asked under Council Procedure Rule 7 (if any)

#### 13. <u>To consider the following Notice of Motion given in accordance with Council</u> <u>Procedure Rule 8</u>

#### **Sustainable Communities Bill**

The Sustainable Communities Bill aims to empower communities and local councils to decide how to make their local areas sustainable. It covers four main areas;

- (a) Protecting or renewing local economic activity including shops, services, facilities.and jobs and locally based industry;
- (b) Protecting the local environment;
- (c) Increasing social inclusion and decreasing social exclusion;
- (d) Increasing participation in democratic, civic and political activity.

The Bill sets a duty on the Secretary of State to promote the sustainability of local communities and it establishes a 'bottom-up' procedure whereby local authorities (and through them citizens and local groups) define how this should be carried out in their own area. Over 300 MP's from all political parties support the introduction of the Bill. Chorley Borough Council expresses its support for the measures within this Bill as a means of empowering local communities and allowing local authorities to influence government policy and actions and urges the government to find time within the legislative calendar to introduce this Bill.

To be proposed by Councillor Cath Hoyle.

#### 14. Any other item(s) the Mayor decides is/are urgent

#### 15. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider the exclusion of the press and public for the following item of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 and 4 of Schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972

#### 16. Housing Transfer Committee (Pages 61 - 62)

General Report (Copy enclosed)

Yours sincerely

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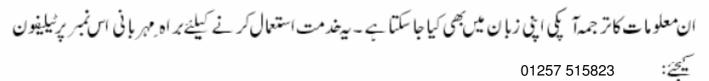
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