

# HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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## THE COUNTY COUNCIL

## SUMMONS AND AGENDA

for the meeting on Tuesday 28 November 2000 at 10.30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Hertford.

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### GROUP MEETINGS

<b>Conservative Group</b>	<b>9.15 a.m.</b>	<b>Committee Room 'B'</b>
<b>Labour Group</b>	<b>9.15 a.m.</b>	<b>Ashbourne Room</b>
<b>Liberal Democrat Group</b>	<b>9.15 a.m.</b>	<b>Room 111</b>

### PRAYERS 10.20 a.m.

Prayers led by the Reverend Tony Rufell, Co-ordinator of Workplace Ministry, Herts & Beds.

#### 1. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 16 May 2000 (previously circulated).

#### 2. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 3. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 7(1)

To deal with any questions directed to the Leader of the Council and Executive Members about the discharge of their responsibilities. All such questions shall have been notified to the County Secretary at least 10 clear days before the meeting.

At the end of each reply the questioner may put one supplementary question to the person to whom the original question was put, who may reply orally or may undertake to reply in writing within 7 days.

The period allocated to questions shall not exceed 30 minutes. Any remaining after that period has elapsed shall be answered in writing within 7 days.

**4. QUESTIONS: HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY -  
STANDING ORDER 7(6)**

To deal with any questions from Members of the Council on the discharge of the functions of the Hertfordshire Police Authority, directed to a person so nominated by that Authority (the Vice-Chairman of the Authority, I H Laidlaw-Dickson). (Same procedure as Item 4).

**5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS - STANDING ORDER 7(10)**

To deal with any questions from any Member of the public being resident in or a registered local government elector of Hertfordshire, to the Leader of the Council and Executive Members about any matter over which the Council has power, or which directly affects the county. (Same procedure as Item 4).

**6. PUBLIC PETITIONS - STANDING ORDER 14**

(The opportunity for any member of the public, being resident in or a registered local government elector of Hertfordshire to present a petition relating to a matter with which the Council is concerned, containing 100 or more signatures of residents or business ratepayers of Hertfordshire.

Notification of intent to present a petition must have been given to the County Secretary at least 14 clear days before the meeting where an item relating to the subject matter of the petition does not appear in the agenda, or at least 3 clear days where the item is the subject of a report.)

Mr N Garvey from Watford will present a petition to the Council and address the Council on behalf of the Cable Action Group of Oxhey who are opposed to plans for high voltage cables to be laid through the village.

**7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

To receive, consider and approve the attached reports of committees:-

7.1 Reports of Former Committees

Policy	- 20 July 2000
Education	- 24 May 2000
Environment	- 23 May 2000, 11 July 2000
Social Services	- 6 July 2000
Information and Access	- 18 July 2000
Improvement and Review	- 13 July 2000
Protection	- 14 July 2000

## 7.2 Reports of Select Committees

Community Information and Protection - 11 October 2000  
Adult Care Services - 12 October 2000

The following Select Committees have met, but decided not to report any matters to the Council:-

Environment - 17 October 2000  
Children, Schools and Families - 18 October 2000  
Resources, Prosperity, Partnership  
and Consultation - 19 October 2000

## **8. NEW POLITICAL STRUCTURES**

Report of the County Secretary (attached).

## **9. NOTICES OF MOTION - STANDING ORDER 8(5)**

### 9.1 R Mills to move:-

*“That in implementing the recommendations for the Best Value Review of Transport Operations, the County Council*

*(i) does not consider the introduction of a registration fee for users of the Dial-a-Ride service; and*

*(ii) refers any proposals to alter the current eligibility criteria for the services to the Eligibility Panel of the Adult Care Services Select Committee for consideration.”*

### 9.2 R Mays to move:-

*“That the Council thank the Hertfordshire emergency services, and all other staff of the County Council who were involved, for their contributions in responding speedily and effectively to the tragedy of the Hatfield rail crash and also the widespread flooding which has recently affected the county.”*

**ANDREW LAYCOCK**  
**County Secretary**