NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Monday, 7 June 2004

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON MONDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF JUNE, 2004 AT SIX THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED:-

1. APOLOGIES.

2. MINUTES.

To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Annual Council held on 27th May 2004 (to be circulated at meeting).

- 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- 4. DEPUTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES/QUESTIONS.
- 5. COMMITTEE MINUTES.

To receive the Minutes of the Executive and Committees contained in the booklet herewith.

14. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURAL RULE 5.2.

15. NOTICE OF MOTION

Councilor Yates to move, Councillor Beardsworh to second;-

"This Council recognises that the current Affordable Housing has failed to make an adequate contribution to the housing needs of this Authority. The policy has arbitrary thresholds which allow developers to avoid making a contribution to our affordable housing needs and the policy does not enable the authority to influence the location and provision of affordable housing where there is the greatest need.

The Council therefore expects the Supplementary Planning Guidance for Affordable Housing which is currently under consideration to draft a policy which includes:

Lowering or even removing thresholds regarding relevant sites Increasing the percentage contribution of affordable housing on these sites Introducing an option of commutable sums for smaller sites to enable this Authority to act as an enabling agent in the provision of affordable housing

The Authority should aim to have this new SPG in place by 1st January 2005 at the latest.

16. RECOVERY BOARD

17. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

The Guildhall Northampton 28th May, 2004

Acting Chief Executive