Motions

The following Motion was submitted by Councillor Tony Capozzoli:-

Local Government (Religious etc. Observances) Act 2015 inserts the following into the Local Government Act 1972:

Powers of a Council

In Part 7 of the Local Government Act 1972 (miscellaneous powers of local authorities) after section 138 insert—

138A Prayers and other observances

- (1) The business at a meeting of a local authority in England may include time for—
 - (a) prayers or other religious observance, or
 - (b) observance connected with a religious or philosophical belief.
- (2) Subsection (1) also applies in relation to meetings of—
 - (a) a committee of a local authority in England,
 - (b) a joint committee of two or more such authorities, whether appointed or established under Part 6 of this Act or any other enactment, or
 - (c) a sub-committee of such a committee or joint committee.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not limit other powers.

Motion:-

That Council consider the reintroduction of prayers before meetings of Full Council. Members may wish to consider inviting a local faith leader, or, invite a Councillor to lead a short prayer prior to the start of a Council meeting.

The following Motion was submitted by Councillor Amanda Broom:-

For SSDC to establish, understand and report to the residents of Chard, the future plan for sporting facilities and sporting development within the town. To set out the strategy of delivering this plan by identifying gap analyses of the current, and future states, including the ownership/accountability of key stakeholders.

Thus being in line, and reflecting the commitments made in the SSDC Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013 - 2018 (Page 19, Paragraph 2).