



COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 2 February 2011 2.00 p.m. Morecambe Town Hall

Mark Cullinan, Chief Executive, Town Hall, Dalton Square, LANCASTER





Sir/Madam,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Lancaster City Council to be held in the Town Hall, Morecambe on Wednesday, 2 February 2011 commencing at 2.00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

To receive as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the City Council held on 15th December, 2010 (previously circulated).

3. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive any announcements which may be submitted by the Mayor or Chief Executive.

6. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11

To receive questions in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rules 11.1 and 11.3 which require members of the public to give at least 3 days' notice in writing of questions to a Member of Cabinet or Committee Chairman.

7. **LEADER'S REPORT** (Pages 1 - 2)

To receive the Cabinet Leader's report on proceedings since the last meeting of Council.

REPORTS REFERRED FROM CABINET, COMMITTEES OR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

8. **BUDGET & POLICY FRAMEWORK UPDATE 2011/12** (Pages 3 - 25)

To consider the recommendations of Cabinet from its meeting on 18th January 2011.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

9. **NOTICE OF MOTION - REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS** (Pages 26 - 28)

To consider the following motion submitted by Councillors Peter Robinson, Keith Sowden and Paul Woodruff:

"This Council considers that 60 Councillors is too many for a small District Council.

Furthermore, given the pressures on the revenue budget, this Council resolves to reduce the number of Councillors from the current 60, to a more acceptable 40.

To achieve this objective by 2015, the Council further resolves work with the Boundary Commission."

An Officer Briefing Note is attached.

OTHER BUSINESS

10. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME - REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL (Pages 29 - 61)

To consider the report of the Head of Governance.

11. ELECTION OF CABINET MEMBER

To elect a new Cabinet Member in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution, following the resignation of Councillor Jane Fletcher from the Cabinet.

Since a PR Cabinet is currently in place for 2010/11, Council will invite nominations from the Green Group to fill the vacancy.

12. QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12.2

To receive questions in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rules 12.2 and 12.4 which require a Member to give at least 3 working days notice, in writing, of the question to the Chief Executive.

13. **MINUTES OF CABINET** (Pages 62 - 92)

To receive the Minutes of Meeting of Cabinet held on 7th December 2010 and 18th January 2011.

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