



## **COUNCIL MEETING**

# Monday, 15 May 2017 - 6.30 p.m. Morecambe Town Hall

Susan Parsonage, Chief Executive, Town Hall, Dalton Square, LANCASTER, LA1 1PJ





Sir/Madam,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Lancaster City Council to be held in the Town Hall, Morecambe on Monday, 15 May 2017 commencing at 6.30 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 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017 (previously circulated).

#### 3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Members should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

#### 4. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

#### 5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

#### REPORTS REFERRED FROM CABINET, COMMITTEES OR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

#### 6. **CIVIC TASK GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS** (Pages 1 - 3)

Referral from Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

#### 7. **ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO POLITICAL GROUPS** (Pages 4 - 9)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### 8. **EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS** (Pages 10 - 21)

To consider the report of the Leader.

#### 9. **NON-EXECUTIVE DELEGATIONS** (Pages 22 - 31)

To consider the report of the Monitoring Officer.

#### 10. APPOINTMENT OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MEMBERS

To receive nominations and appoint Members to serve on each of the following Overview and Scrutiny bodies in accordance with the political balance arrangements agreed at Item 6.

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, Part 3, Sections 12 and 13, only non-Cabinet Members are entitled to vote on this item.

- (a) Overview and Scrutiny Committee (9)
- (b) Budget and Performance Panel (9)

#### 11. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

To receive nominations and appoint Members to serve on the under-mentioned Committees and the Appraisal Panel in accordance with the political balance arrangements agreed at Item 6.

- (a) Licensing Regulatory Committee (9)
- (b) Licensing Act Committee (15)
- (c) Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee (15)
- (d) Personnel Committee (7)
- (e) Appeals Committee (7)
- (f) Audit Committee (7)
- (g) Standards Committee (7)
- (h) Council Business Committee (7)
- (i) Appraisal Panel (7)

#### 12. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN**

To receive nominations and appoint a Chairman to each of the under-mentioned bodies noting that, in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Part 3, Sections 11 and 12, only non-Cabinet Members are entitled to vote on (a) and (b) below:

- (a) Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall not be a member of the largest political group represented on Cabinet
- (b) Budget and Performance Panel shall not be a member of the largest political group represented on Cabinet.
- (c) Licensing Regulatory Committee
- (d) Licensing Act Committee
- (e) Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee
- (f) Personnel Committee
- (g) Appeals Committee
- (h) Audit Committee shall not be a member of Cabinet or Overview and Scrutiny.
- (i) Standards Committee
- (j) Council Business Committee
- (k) Appraisal Panel
- 13. **TO APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES, PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS** (Pages 32 39)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

14. **APPOINTMENT TO THE LANCASHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL** (Pages 40 - 41)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

Chief Executive

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# Civic Task Group Recommendations 15 May 2017

## **Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To request Council to consider the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding the establishment of a Civic and Citizenship Panel and a Citizenship Awards Scheme.

This report is public.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council considers the recommendations made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as set out below:

- (1) That a Civic and Citizenship Panel to include the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Honorary appointments, dignitaries and community representatives be established by the Council to support the Mayoralty in undertake the following:
  - Promote citizenship through organising visits to schools, clubs etc.
  - Assist with the organisation of Local Democracy Week.
  - Run the Citizenship awards with the CVS.
  - Promote the Mayor's Charity and assist the Mayor with fund raising events.
  - Assist in the organisation of Mayor Making and Civic events.
  - Assist with the developing the Civic role.
- (2) That a Mayor's Citizenship award scheme be established by the Civic and Citizenship Panel in conjunction with CVS and consider introducing the following categories:
  - Bravery Award.
  - Young Carer Award.
  - Young entrepreneur/business Award.

#### 1. Introduction

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee established a working group to re-consider the recommendations of the Formal Civic Task Group. The working group met just once to consider the recommendations of the original Task Group that had not been implemented and reported back to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

#### 2. Proposal

#### Civic and Citizenship Panel

The main recommendation that was discussed was that of establishing a Civic and Citizenship Panel. This had been attempted when the original report was considered ten years ago but problems had arisen in trying to recruit members of the public to take part. Only a handful of people had come forward and it was agreed by the Council Business Committee, that this recommendation would not go any further forward.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed that it would be more beneficial for the Panel to comprise of Aldermen, former Councillors who had been Mayor and also their Mayoresses.

It was also felt important that the Deputy Mayor should be included in the membership of the Panel and naturally the Mayor.

#### Mayor's Citizenship Awards

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee felt that the introduction of Citizenship Awards could be undertaken easily with little resource implications and the civic pride that it would create for local people would be important.

Officers met with CVS to discuss the award scheme they had in place to avoid duplication. CVS were keen to work with the Council to create a joint Awards Scheme and felt the Mayor's Awards would become an important esteemed award ceremony for the district.

Currently, CVS hold annual awards which include the following categories:

- Volunteer of the Year (aged 25 or over).
- · Young Volunteer of the Year (aged 24 or under).
- Trustee of the Year.
- Lifetime Achievement Award.
- · Volunteer Sports Coach of the Year.
- Fundraiser of the Year.
- · Community Inspiration of the Year.

The Committee agreed that the Panel could consider introducing the following awards:

- Bravery Award.
- Young Carer Award.
- Staff Award.
- Young entrepreneur/business Award.

But this list is open to discussion by the Panel once it is established.

#### 3. Officer Comments

The introduction of a Civic and Citizenship Panel would promote the Civic element of Lancaster City Council and involve a greater number of people in civic life with a wealth of information and experience. There would be no resource implications in establishing the Panel.

The Citizenship awards would have some resource implications, such as refreshments and frames for certificates but they are fairly insignificant in comparison to the civic pride that would be created.

#### 4. Conclusion

Members are asked to consider the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, set out in this report, to promote the Council's civic element and raise awareness and civic pride within the district.

#### RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

#### CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications as a direct result of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The funding of the awards will be met from the Civic Receptions and Mayoral Functions budget (Estimate £6,100 in 2017/18).

#### OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

#### **Human Resources:**

None arising from this report.

#### **Information Services:**

None arising from this report.

#### **Property:**

None arising from this report.

#### **Open Spaces:**

None arising from this report.

#### **SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### **MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Civic Task Group Final Report

Contact Officer: Jenny Kay Telephone: 01524 582065 E-mail: jkay@lancaster.gov.uk



## Allocation of Seats to Political Groups 15 May 2017

## **Report of Chief Executive**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise Council of the calculations relating to the allocation of seats in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Council's agreed protocol, to allow Council to appoint to Committees as required at the annual meeting, as set out in Part 4, Section 1, Paragraph 1.2 of the Constitution.

This report is public

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) That in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and Part 4 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations, 1990, the City Council approves the calculations and allocation of seats set out in Appendices B and C of the report.
- (2) That the adjustments required to the Grouping of committees, detailed in paragraph 3 and Appendix C of the report, be approved.

#### 1.0 Introduction

1.1 Members are requested to approve the calculations set out in this report in order to make appointments to committees for 2017/18, which reflect the revised make-up of the Council.

#### 2.0 Political Composition of the Council

2.1 The Council's political composition is set out below.

Labour	30
Conservatives	18
Green	8
Independent	2
Free Independent	1
Non-aligned Independent	1
	60

- 2.2 Various appendices give full details of the calculations: Appendix A shows the methodology of Council's agreed calculation of PR; the calculations in relation to numbers from 1 to 20 are attached at Appendix B and Appendix C gives the grouping calculations used in this report.
- 2.3 If groups have submitted nominations for committee membership to Democratic Services in advance of this meeting, those nominations will be circulated at the start of the meeting.

#### 3.0 Adjustments

3.1 Appendix C sets out the adjustments necessary as a result of the calculation. The Labour Group will lose one seat in the Overview and Scrutiny grouping to the Green Group. For the Regulatory and Standing Committees of Council grouping, one seat will be lost by the Labour Group and another will be lost by the Conservative group. Councillors Woodruff and Scott will each gain one of those places.

#### 4.0 Conclusion

4.1 Members are requested to approve the calculations to enable appointments to committees to be made at this meeting.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a direct result of this report.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and Part 4 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

#### SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

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#### **METHOD OF CALCULATION**

- The following is provided as a reminder for Members of the method used to calculate proportional representation (PR) at Lancaster City Council:-
- At its meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2006 Council agreed the following protocol and groupings for the calculation of PR on the Council's Cabinet\*, Overview & Scrutiny and Committees:
  - (i) the calculation be undertaken using 4 decimal places;
  - (ii) the allocation of a final seat to a Group with the same residual be to the largest under-represented Group provided that this does not result in the largest over-representation; and
  - (iii) In the event that the foregoing rules do not resolve the situation, either because of a tie, or because the allocation would result in the largest over-representation, the seat be allocated by drawing lots under the supervision of the Mayor.
  - (iv) the calculation should be undertaken in relation to the following groupings:
    - Overview and Scrutiny (2 x 9)
    - Regulatory and other timetabled Committees (1 x 20(Planning)\*, 1 x 15 (Licensing Act), 1 x 9 (Licensing Regulatory) and 2 x 7 (Personnel and Audit)
    - Remaining Standing and Joint Committees to be calculated separately and individually.

<sup>\*</sup>The Cabinet is no longer a PR Cabinet, and the composition of the Planning Committee has since reduced to 15 Members.

## Appendix B

#### PR CALCULATION

		Labour	Conservative	Green	Independent	Free Independent (Cllr Woodruff)	Non-aligned Independent (CIIr Scott)
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2	II	1	1	•	-	-	ı
3	II	2	1	•	-	-	ı
4	II	2	1	1	-	-	ı
5	=	2	2	1	-	-	-
6	=	3	2	1	-	-	-
7	=	4	2	1	-	-	-
8	=	4	3	1	-	-	-
9	=	5	3	1	-	-	-
10	=	5	4	1	-	-	-
11	=	6	4	1	-	-	-
12	=	6	4	2	-	-	-
13	=	7	4	2	-	-	-
14	=	7	4	2	1	-	-
15	=	7	5	2	1	-	-
16	=	8	5	2	1	-	-
17	=	9	5	2	1	-	-
18	=	9	6	2	1	-	-
19	=	9	6	3	1	-	-
20	=	10	6	3	1	-	-

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#### **COMMITTEE GROUPING CALCULATIONS**

#### 1 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY GROUPING

The PR Calculation for a single 9 Member Committee is 5:3:1:0:0:0 and the grouping of Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Budget & Performance Panel is as follows:-

9 + 9 = 18 (-:- 60) = 0.3 seats per Member.

L	30 x 0.3	=	9	= 9
С	18 x 0.3	=	5.4	= 5
G	8 x 0.3	=	2.4	= 3 (see below)
1	2 x 0.3	=	0.6	= 1
FI	1 x 0.3	=	0.3	= 0
NAI	1 x 0.3	=	0.3	= 0

Using the PR calculation for two single 9 Member Committees, the Labour Group would have had 10 seats overall. The grouping gives the Labour Group 9 seats overall so the Labour Group "give up" one seat as a result of the grouping.

The Conservative Group would have had 6 seats overall using the PR calculation for two single 9 Member Committees. However, the grouping gives the Conservative Group 5.4 seats, making a tie for the final seat between the Conservative and the Green groups who have the same residual of .4. The rules state that "the allocation of a final seat to a Group with the same residual be to the largest under-represented Group provided that this does not result in the largest over-representation."; The final seat will therefore be passed to the Green group.

The Independent Group will receive one seat on either the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Budget and Performance Panel, by arrangement with the other Groups.

#### 2 REGULATORY AND STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL GROUPING

The PR calculation for 15 Member Committees (Planning and Highways Regulatory and Licensing Act) is 7:5:2:1:0:0. The 9 Member Licensing Regulatory Committee is 5:3:1:0:0:0 and the 7 Member Committee calculation (for Personnel and Audit) is 4:2:1:0:0:0. The total seats to be allocated for the grouping comprising Planning and Highways Regulatory, Licensing Act, Licensing Regulatory, Personnel and Audit Committees is:-

15 + 15 + 9 + 7	7 + 7 = 53 (-:-	60) = 0.8833	seats p	er Member.		
L	30	x 0.8833	=	26.4990	=	26
С	18	x 0.8833	=	15.8994	=	16
G	8	x 0.8833	=	7.0664	=	7
1	2	x 0.8833	=	1.7666	=	2
FI	1	x 0.8833	=	0.8833	=	1
NAI	1	x 0.8833	=	0.8833	=	1
						<u>53</u>

PR for this group of committees, if calculated on the basis of single committees, would have given the Labour Group 27 Members and the Conservative Group 17 Members. However, when grouped, the Labour Group receive 26 seats and the Conservative Group receive 16 seats, requiring the Labour Group and the Conservative Group to "give up" one seat each in this grouping. Those seats will give Councillor Woodruff and

Councillor Scott one seat each on whichever Committees the Labour and Conservatives Groups choose to leave unfilled.

#### 3 OTHER COMMITTEES/PANELS

Remaining Standing Committees currently constituted with a PR of 7 are the Appeals, Council Business and Standards Committees. The PR calculation for these is 4:2:1:0:0:0.

The Appraisal Panel is a member panel of seven members appointed on a PR basis, although not a formal Committee of Council. The PR calculation for the Panel is 4:2:1:0:0:0.



## Executive Arrangements 15 May 2017

### Report of the Leader

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To report to Council on the delegation of executive functions, in accordance with Rule 1.2 of the Cabinet Procedure Rules

#### This report is public

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) That the report be noted

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Rule 1.2 of the Cabinet Procedure Rules provides as follows:
  - "Delegation by the Leader
  - (a) At the annual meeting of the Council, the Leader will present to the Council the names of the people appointed to the Cabinet by the Leader (including the name of the Deputy Leader), and their portfolios.
  - (b) At the annual meeting of the Council or as soon as practicable thereafter, the Leader will present to the Council a written record of :
    - (i) The detailed remits of the portfolios of the Cabinet Members.
    - (ii) Any delegations made by the Leader in respect of the discharge of the Council's executive functions. The document presented by the Leader will contain the following information about Executive functions in relation to the coming year:
      - The extent of authority of the Cabinet as a whole
      - The extent of any authority delegated to Cabinet Members individually, including details of the limitation on their authority;
      - the terms of reference and constitution of such Cabinet committees as the Leader appoints and the names of Cabinet Members appointed to them;
      - the nature and extent of any delegation of Executive functions to area committees, any other authority or any joint arrangements and the names of those Cabinet

- Members appointed to any joint committee for the coming year; and
- the nature and extent of any delegation to officers with details of any limitation on that delegation, and the title of the officer to whom the delegation is made.

and these shall then be included in the Council's Constitution."

1.2 This report fulfils the requirement of Rule 1.2(b).

#### 2.0 Proposal Details

- 2.1 The names of the members appointed to Cabinet and their respective portfolios will be reported at the meeting.
- 2.2 In accordance with the Council's current Constitution (Article 7.09), Cabinet members will have delegated authority to take non-key decisions within their portfolio areas. Key decisions will be taken by Cabinet collectively.
- 2.3 No Cabinet Committees or Area Committees have been appointed.
- 2.4 The revenues and benefits functions of the Council will continue to be carried out by a Joint Committee with Preston City Council. The two Cabinet members appointed to serve on that Joint Committee will be Councillors Blamire and Whitehead. All other Cabinet Members are substitute Members of the Joint Committee.
- 2.5 Delegations of executive functions to officers are set out in Part 3, Section 14 of the Council's Constitution. A copy is attached at *Appendix A* to this report, however, it should be noted that the Chief Officer (Governance) post is currently vacant and delegations to that post will be carried out by the Chief Executive for the time being, except for those relating to licensing functions which will be carried out by the Chief Officer (Health and Housing).

#### 3.0 Conclusion

3.1 The report is submitted in accordance with Rule 1.2 of the Cabinet Procedure Rules and is for noting.

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## Part 3, Section 14 Scheme of Delegation to Officers

It is acknowledged that the role of officers is to take operational decisions in the manner that they consider is most appropriate given their managerial and professional expertise, and that no specific delegations are required in order for officers to carry out the operational management of the services for which they are responsible.

The purpose of this Scheme of Delegation is rather to provide clarity for the undertaking of activities that for governance reasons require formal authorisation.

Formal delegations have been approved by the relevant Member body with responsibility for the particular function, and this may be Council, a Regulatory or other Committee of Council, or, in the case of executive functions, the Leader. The Scheme of Delegation is set out to make it clear which body has authorised each delegation

All the delegations within this Scheme are to be undertaken within:

- The policies and strategies of the Council within the policy framework
- Any legal constraints imposed on the Council
- The financial provision authorised by the Cabinet and the Council
- Any relevant provisions within the Constitution

This Scheme of Delegation should be read in conjunction with the Council's Financial Regulations, including the Contract Procedure Rules, and the Treasury Management Framework.

References to any Act, Regulation, Order or Byelaw shall be construed as including any re-enactment or re-making of the same, whether or not with amendments.

Any reference to any Act of Parliament includes references to Regulations and other subordinate legislation made thereunder and to any EU legislation on which the UK legislation is based.

Subject to any express instruction to the contrary from the delegating body, any power to approve also includes power to refuse, and power to impose appropriate conditions.

Delegations to officers are subject to the right of the delegating body to decide any matter in a particular case, and the officer may in any particular case refer to the delegating body for a decision.

Generally, any power delegated to a Chief Officer may be exercised by the Chief Executive, and any power delegated to any other officer may be exercisable by the officer's Chief Officer or the Chief Executive. However, it should be noted that this is subject to any specific statutory restrictions. For example, under health and safety legislation, some powers may only be exercised by qualified "inspectors".

Any delegation to the Chief Executive may in her absence be exercised by a Chief Officer. Formal urgent decisions will be taken in consultation with the appropriate elected member(s) in accordance with the Constitution. It is anticipated that the delegated authority would be exercised, taking account of any comments from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer, by the most appropriate Chief Officer

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given the subject matter for decision, or, in the absence of that Chief Officer or where the decision is general in nature, by the Chief Officer on Senior Emergency Officer duty at the time.

The Monitoring Officer shall have power to amend the Scheme of Delegation to reflect reorganisations, changes in job titles and vacancies, where such changes result in redistributing existing delegations, and not the creation of new ones.

Any post specifically referred to in the Scheme of Delegation shall be deemed to include any successor post, and shall include any officer acting up or seconded.

Where an officer is authorised or designated by virtue of this Scheme of Delegation as an authorised officer for the purposes of any legislation, that authorisation (unless it specifically states to the contrary) shall be deemed to authorise that officer to undertake all the powers and duties of an authorised officer as are specified in that legislation. These may include (but are not restricted to) the power to enter on land, undertake inspections, serve notices (including the issue of fixed penalty notices), take samples and remove goods.

Where a power or duty is delegated to an officer, either directly under the Scheme of Delegation or through designation as an authorised officer, and the exercise of that power or duty is contingent upon the opinion of the Council that particular conditions or factual circumstances exist, then the officer in question has the power to determine whether or not those circumstances exist or those conditions have been fulfilled in the name of and with the authority of the Council.

Functions, matters, powers, authorisations, delegations, duties and responsibilities within this Scheme shall be construed in a broad and inclusive fashion, and shall include the doing of anything which is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of anything so specified.

Where a power or duty delegated under this Scheme includes at source a power to recover costs, fees or charges, the delegation shall include the power to take all necessary action to recover such fees costs or charges by way of civil debt or otherwise.

#### **EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS - MATTERS OF URGENCY**

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

- a) To do all such things as are necessary in relation to all routine matters of day to day administration and management of the Council;
- (b) To authorise any action necessary to protect the safety or welfare of individuals or the safety of property; and
- (c) Where it is necessary for any function of the Cabinet to be discharged and it is impracticable or impossible by reason of urgency for the matter to be considered by the Cabinet, (of if a non-key decision by the relevant portfolio holder) to take such action as he considers appropriate, in consultation, so far as practicable with the Leader and relevant portfolio holder(s).

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Where action is taken under (c) above, the Chief Executive shall submit a report to the next Cabinet meeting recording the urgent circumstances which made the action necessary and detailing the action taken.

#### **OTHER EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To make applications to the Home Secretary for consent to make orders under the Public Order Act 1986 in response to an application from the Chief Constable, and to make the appropriate Order following the receipt of the Home Secretary's consent.

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND ALL CHIEF OFFICERS

To determine all matters arising from the Commission for Local Administration in England (the Local Government Ombudsman) in whatever manner is appropriate, including the making of local settlements.

To attest the affixing of the Common Seal to documents.

To seek planning permission for the Council's own development or development on Council-owned land.

To grant authorisations for the purposes of Sections 28 and 29 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (subject to the requirement for each authorisation to be approved by the Magistrates' Court).

## TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, ALL CHIEF OFFICERS AND ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY A CHIEF OFFICER IN WRITING

To sign statements of truth under the Civil Procedure Rules 1998 on behalf of the Council

To serve notices under Section 16 of the Local Government Act (Miscellaneous Provisions) 1976

With regard to finance and contractual matters, to exercise any relevant authority set out in Article 14 of the Constitution and the supporting Financial Regulations and Contract Procedure Rules for Works, Goods and Services. Designation as a Responsible Spending Officer or Contract Manager will be deemed to be designation in writing by a Chief Officer for this purpose. (Note - As set out in Article 13 of the Constitution, the Key Decision financial thresholds apply to various financial and/or contractual matters and as such, the appropriate decision-making, publication and callin arrangements also apply, as set out in the Constitution.)

In accordance with relevant legislation and any charging policy set by Cabinet, to set fees and charges for services and activities.

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (ENVIRONMENT)

To add properties to the Register of Excluded Properties established by Cabinet in December 2005 in respect of residents' parking schemes.

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To authorise the closure of Council owned public land and car parks where required to do so for operational or health and safety purposes

To designate authorised officers for the purposes of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and the Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978, who may then act on behalf of the Council under the relevant legislation in accordance with their designation as authorised officer.

To approve the terms and conditions of market lettings.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (ENVIRONMENT) AND ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To serve notices on behalf of the Council under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and the Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978.

To act on behalf of the Council as consultee under section 1E of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 in respect of applications for Anti-Social Behaviour Orders.

Under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014:

- (a) to be authorised persons for the purposes of section 53, with authority to issue a Community Protection Notice (Section 43), and/or a Fixed Penalty Notice for breach of a Community Protection Notice (Section 48);
- (b) to be authorised to issue notices under Section 47(3), Section 47(6) and 49 (6) in respect of Community Protection Notice works in default;
- (c) to have authority to authorise Community Protection Notice work in default to be carried out under sections 47(2) and (3);
- (d) to be authorised persons for the purposes of Section 63 and Section 68 (enforcement of Public Spaces Protection Orders); and
- (e) to be authorised to issue a Closure Notice for a period of up to 24 hours.

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE)

To authorise officers to appear on behalf of the Council in Courts inquiries and Tribunals, as appropriate

To certify resolutions and documents as being true copies

To determine whether or not executive confidential or exempt reports, minutes or background papers are required to continue to be treated as confidential or exempt.

To sign official certificates of search in the register of local land charges, and in consultation with the Chief Officer (Resources) to set the fee for a local search and related inquiries in respect of land

To approve expenditure from the Member conferences budget in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member

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To approve duties for inclusion in the list of Approved Duties for the purposes of the Members' Allowances Scheme

To make orders under the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 where there are no objections to the proposed closure from either the highway authority or the police

To determine requests for review under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

To determine listing and compensation reviews in respect of assets of community value under Part 5 Chapter 3 of the Localism Act 2011

To be the Proper Officer as required by any legislation save where another officer has been so designated.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE) AND THE LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER

To institute, defend and be responsible for the conduct of any legal proceedings in any civil or criminal court or tribunal, on behalf of the Council, and to make appropriate arrangements for such matters to be dealt with by the Council's Legal Service

To instruct Counsel or external solicitors to advise and/or represent the Council, through the Council's Legal Service

To settle or compromise any legal proceedings to which the Council is a party, in consultation with the relevant Chief Officer and the Chief Officer (Resources).

To take all steps incidental to completing or obtaining the confirmation of any Order or other formal proceedings made by the Council

To prepare any documentation necessary to bring into effect a decision of the Council or Cabinet, or any decision made under delegated authority.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE), LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER AND ANY OFFICER DESIGNATED BY EITHER THE CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE) OR THE LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER IN WRITING

To commence criminal or civil proceedings on behalf of the Council, and to sign statements of truth in connection with legal proceedings.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (GOVERNANCE) LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER, LICENSING MANAGER AND ANY OTHER OFFICER DESIGNATED IN WRITING BY THE LICENSING MANAGER

To grant, renew and vary site licences and collectors' licences under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013, and to enter and inspect premises licensed under the Act.

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING)

To serve notices and to act on behalf of the Council under the following legislation, and to designate authorised officers who may then act on behalf of the Council under the following legislation in accordance with their designation as authorised officer:

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Animal Welfare Act 2006

Building Act 1984

Caravan Sites and Control of development Act 1960

Caravan Sites Act1960

Civil Contingencies Act 2004

Clean Air Act 1993

Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005

Control of Pollution Act 1974

County of Lancashire Act 1984

Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994

Dangerous Dogs Act 1991

Dogs Act 1871

Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996

**Environment Act 1995** 

**Environmental Protection Act 1990** 

European Communities Act 1972

Food and Environmental Protection Act 1985

Food Safety Act 1990

General Food regulations 2004

Health Act 2006

Housing Acts 1985, 1996 and 2004

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts 1976 and 1982

Mobile Homes Act 2013

National Assistance Act 1948

Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999

Pollution Prevention and Control (England and Wales) Regulations 2000

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949

Private Water Supplies Regulations 2009

Product of Animal Origin (Import and Export) Regulations 1996

Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports)(England) Regulations 2002

Public Health Acts 1936 and 1961

Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984

Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions)(Fixed Penalty)(England) Regulations 2002

Sunbeds (Regulation) Act 2010

Sunday Trading Act 1994

Water Industry Act 1991

To appoint inspectors for the purposes of section 19 of the Health and Safety at Work (etc) Act 1974, who may then act as inspectors under the Act in accordance with their appointment.

To waive the repayment of right to buy discount under Section 185 of the Housing Act 2004

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To appoint Proper Officers for the purposes of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984, the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1988 and under the National Assistance Act 1948, Regulations 2 and 3 of the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010, Sections 84 and 85 of the Public Health Act 1936, and Section 37 of the Public Health Act 1961

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To serve notice and commence legal action to seek an order of possession in respect of a dwelling house let by the Council

To serve any statutory notice, counter-notice or document in respect of a dwelling house let by the Council and which is to be served in connection with the exercise of the functions of the local housing authority

To review a decision to seek an order for possession of a dwelling let under an introductory tenancy (section 129 of the Housing Act 1996)

To review a decision to seek an order for possession of a dwelling let under a demoted tenancy (Section 143F of the Housing Act 1996)

To allocate council housing stock and in so doing to award discretionary points and exercise any other discretion that may be appropriate, and to undertake any review under the Housing Allocation Policy

To nominate tenants to Housing Associations

To serve statutory notices, directions, orders and other documents, to exercise statutory powers of entry and to undertake inspections and take enforcement action in connection with unfit, defective or otherwise substandard dwellings, or overcrowding or otherwise unsatisfactory conditions therein

To investigate and take enforcement action in respect of unlawful eviction or tenant harassment or any offence under the Housing Acts 1985,1996 or 2004

To determine applications for the licensing of houses in multiple occupation under the Housing Act 2004 including the granting, refusal and variation of licences and the issuing of temporary exemptions in appropriate cases as defined in the Act

To determine applications in respect of grants in respect of dwellings, including disabled facilities grants and to waive or relax the conditions and/or requirements of approved grants

To take action to secure the restoration or continuation of the supply of water, gas or electricity to tenanted property

To administer and operate any loans/grant schemes intended to prevent homelessness

To exercise the statutory functions of the Council with regard to homelessness, including the undertaking of reviews of decisions

To determine applications in respect of chimney heights under the Clean Air legislation

Under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014:

- (a) to be authorised persons for the purposes of section 53, with authority to issue a Community Protection Notice (Section 43), and/or a Fixed Penalty Notice for breach of a Community Protection Notice (Section 48);
- (b) to be authorised to issue notices under Section 47(3), Section 47(6) and 49(6) in respect of Community Protection Notice works in default;

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- (c) to have authority to authorise Community Protection Notice work in default to be carried out under sections 47(2) and (3);
- (d) to be authorised persons for the purposes of Section 63 and Section 68 (enforcement of Public Spaces Protection Orders); and
- (e) to be authorised to issue a Closure Notice for a period of up to 24 hours.

Under the Redress Schemes for Lettings Agency Work and Property Management Work (Requirement to Belong to a Scheme etc) (England) Order 2014 to set and impose a penalty charge (to a maximum of £5000); to undertake the service and signing of notices; to consider and determine representations and objections; to recover the monetary penalty through a certificate signed by the Chief Officer (Resources).

Under the Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm (England) Regulations 2015 to act as Inspectors; to undertake the service and signing of notices; to set and impose a penalty charge (to a maximum of £5000); to authorise remedial work; to consider and determine representations and objections; to recover a monetary penalty through a certificate signed by the Chief Officer (Resources).

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (REGENERATION AND PLANNING)

To be the proper officer for the purposes of Section 93(1)(a) and to authorise officers to sign documents in accordance with Section 93(1)(b) of the Building Act 1984

To designate authorised officers for the purposes of Section 95 of the Building Act 1984

In consultation with the relevant Cabinet portfolio holder, to approve grants and other financial assistance to businesses and community enterprises, in accordance with the eligibility criteria and other terms and conditions applicable to the relevant approved grant aid schemes.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (REGENERATION AND PLANNING) AND ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To determine applications under the Building Regulations, and to serve notices and issue certificates under the Building Regulations 2000 (as amended)

To exercise the Council's powers under Sections 76, 77, 78, 79 and 81 of the Building Act 1984

To approve Home Loss and Disturbance payments

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES)

To determine nominations for inclusion in the Council's list of assets of community value, and to determine requests from an asset owner for compensation under Part 5 Chapter 3 of the Localism Act 2011.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES) (AS SECTION 151 OFFICER) AND TO THE DEPUTY SECTION 151 OFFICER(S)

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To determine the Council's tax bases and Collection Fund balances in respect of local taxation, together with related matters, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1992, the Localism Act 2011 and other associated legislation.

To sign any documentation required to be signed by the Council's Chief Financial Officer.

To determine the Council's banking arrangements.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES) AND ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To arrange insurance cover for the Council, including the taking out and renewal of policies.

To undertake borrowing and investment decisions and related/supporting operational activity in accordance with the Council's approved Treasury Management Framework.

To sign any documentation on behalf of the Council in accordance with any approved role as "accountable body".

To update the Council's financial systems and records as necessary to bring into effect a decision of the Council or Cabinet.

To authorise officers to represent the Council in the Magistrates' Court in recovery and enforcement proceedings for Council Tax and National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR)

To exercise the Council's statutory functions and responsibilities in respect of Council Tax, National Non-Domestic Rates, and Housing Benefit and Council Tax Support.

To grant relevant reliefs, discounts, exemptions and support awards associated with Council Tax, National Non-Domestic Rates, and Housing Benefit and Council Tax Support (made available either through locally determined or national policies).

To authorise the commencement of civil proceedings for the recovery of sums owed to the Council.

To sign certificates under Regulation 53(5) of the Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992 and Regulation 21(5) of the Non-domestic Rating (Collection and Enforcement (Local Lists) Regulations 1989.

To approve the naming of streets and numbering of properties

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (RESOURCES) AND SENIOR PROPERTY OFFICER/ ANY STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To approve the terms and conditions for the disposal or acquisition of freehold land, and the granting or taking of a lease of property, where the consideration or premium or annual rent is at market value and does not exceed £50,000 subject to Ward Councillors being satisfied with the principle of the sale/acquisition or, if the property has not previously been leased, the principle of leasing.

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To approve the terms and conditions of any other lettings, sub-lettings, concessions or licences to occupy any Council land or premises, where the rent / fee is at market value

To grant peppercorn leases of land for potential new allotment sites (provided that such land would not be capable of achieving a market rent exceeding £6000 pa for alternative use) subject to the approval of the Chief Officer of the relevant managing Service.

To approve the terms of rent or service charge reviews, licences to assign, deeds of variation and surrenders

To terminate or forfeit leases, sub-leases and licences

To approve the payment of compensation due under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954

To grant and accept wayleaves and easements and to approve the consideration payable to or by the Council

To approve the disposal of Council houses and flats and subsequent assignments under the statutory Right to Buy provisions.



## Non-Executive Delegations 12th May 2017

### **Report of the Monitoring Officer**

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report to Council on the Scheme of Delegation to Officers in relation to non-executive functions.

#### This report is public

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

(1) That Council approves its current Scheme of Delegation to Officers ("Scheme of Delegation") in regard to non-executive functions.

#### 1.0 Introduction

1.1 It is good practice for Council to approve its Scheme of Delegation at the Annual Meeting, and the current Scheme is appended for that purpose.

#### 2.0 Amendments made by the Monitoring Officer

- 2.1 The Constitution authorises the Monitoring Officer to amend the Scheme of Delegation to reflect reorganisations, changes in job title and vacancies where such changes result in redistributing existing delegations (not the creation of new ones).
- 2.2 Since May 2015, two posts with delegations have become vacant and have not yet been filled, namely the posts of Chief Officer (Governance) and Legal Services Manager. In May 2016, the Scheme of Delegation was updated by the Monitoring Officer to reflect this, with the Chief Executive taking on functions delegated to those vacant posts except for some of those related to the licensing functions which were been redistributed to the Chief Officer (Environment) who had taken on responsibility for the Licensing section formerly overseen by Legal Services. The Licensing function has since moved to the Chief Officer, (Health and Housing) and those functions have been redistributed to that post.
- 2.3 It has now been decided to appoint a Chief Officer (Legal and Governance) and interviews for this post will take place on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017.
- 2.4 Following the appointment, a comprehensive review of the scheme will be undertaken by the new Chief Officer (Legal and Governance) to take account of legislative changes and to modernise the scheme.

#### 3.0 Conclusion

The report is submitted for Council's approval.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

None directly arising from this report.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The report complies with the requirements of the Constitution and ensures continuity of the current Scheme of Delegation.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

#### OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

**Human Resources:** 

None

Information Services:

None

**Property:** 

None

**Open Spaces:** 

None

#### **SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### **MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has prepared this report.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS** 

None

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#### **NON-EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

#### **MATTERS OF URGENCY**

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE:

Where it is necessary for any function of the Council or one of its Committees to be discharged and it is impracticable or impossible by reason of urgency for the matter to be considered by the Council or such Committee, to take such action as he considers appropriate, in consultation, so far as practicable with the Mayor and Group Leaders in respect of a Council function or the relevant Committee Chairman in respect of a matter within the terms of reference of a Council Committee

Where action is taken under the above, the Chief Executive shall submit a report to the next Council or Committee meeting as appropriate recording the urgent circumstances which made the action necessary and detailing the action taken.

#### OTHER NON-EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

#### **COUNCIL:**

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING)

To serve notices and to act on behalf of the Council under the following legislation, and to designate authorised officers who may then act on behalf of the Council under the following legislation in accordance with their designation as authorised officer:

Health Act 2006

#### PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

## TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE IN RESPECT OF ALL POSTS EXCEPT JNC CHIEF OFFICER POSTS

To establish new posts and approve minor structural reorganisations, and to assimilate members of staff on fixed term or temporary contracts or in casual work situations into the permanent establishment

To determine the terms and conditions of service of Council employees within the policy set by the Personnel Committee

To determine applications for regrading

To apply the Council's Redeployment Policy including declaration of a redundancy situation and redeployment of staff

To approve the payment of acting up and honorarium payments

To approve extensions to full or half sick pay

To approve release of preserved pension benefits in accordance with relevant pension legislation, including Certificates of Material Change

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To determine requests for late transfers into the Local Government Pension Scheme

#### TO CHIEF OFFICERS IN RESPECT OF EMPLOYEES WITHIN THEIR SERVICE

To extend the term of any fixed term or temporary contract

To change the designation of a post

To recruit to established permanent or temporary posts (below JNC Chief Officer level), and determine commencing salary and subsequent granting or withholding of incremental progression

To determine applications and approve arrangements in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Attendance Management policies and Family Leave Scheme, Parental Leave Scheme and Flexible Working Scheme.

To determine applications for car loans

To determine ex gratia payments

To terminate employment in accordance with Council policy, and on grounds of permanent ill health

To determine action in sickness absence cases lasting six months or more

To take disciplinary action in accordance with Council policy (except JNC Chief Officers)

To authorise attendance of staff at appropriate courses, and the granting of financial assistance in accordance with the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The award of a maximum of two merit increments for examination success and in other appropriate cases provided that the award is within the approved establishment grade of the postholder.

#### LICENSING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To make appropriate arrangements for the institution or defence of any legal proceedings relating to matters within the terms of reference of the Licensing Regulatory Committee

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING), LICENSING MANAGER AND ANY OTHER OFFICER THE LICENSING MANAGER DESIGNATES IN WRITING

To grant and issue any licence, registration or other permission under any legislation within the terms of reference of the Licensing Regulatory Committee, unless there are any adverse representations or other reasons why the officer considers it appropriate to refer the matter to the Committee. This does not include authority to refuse a licence, save that the Chief Officer (Health and Housing) and the Licensing Manager are authorised to refuse new applications for hackney carriage or private hire driver licences, where satisfied that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

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To approve any matters within the conditions of licences, registrations or other permissions under any legislation within the terms of reference of the Licensing Regulatory Committee, which require the approval or consent of the Council.

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND LICENSING MANAGER

To designate authorised officers for the purposes of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, who may then act on behalf of the Council under the Act in accordance with their designation as authorised officer

To designate authorised officers for the purposes of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, who may then act on behalf of the Council under the Act in accordance with their designation as authorised officer.

To allocate permits for street collections unless there are more applications than permits available.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING), LICENSING MANAGER AND ANY OTHER OFFICER THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING DESIGNATES IN WRITING

To suspend a driver's licence under Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, including authority to suspend a licence with immediate effect in the interests of public safety

To suspend an operator's licence under Section 62 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

To suspend a hackney carriage or private hire vehicle licence under Section 60 or Section 68 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND ANY OTHER OFFICER DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To issue licences, registrations and consents under the Food Safety Act 1990, the Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993, Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960, Meat Products (Hygiene) Regulations 1994, Minced Meat and Meat Preparations (Hygiene) Regulations 1995, Dairy Products (Hygiene) Regulations 1995, Egg Products regulations 1993, Food Safety (General Food Hygiene) Regulations 1995, Food Safety (Fishery Products and Live Shellfish) (Hygiene) Regulations 1998 and the Food Premises (Registration) Regulations 1991, Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963, Dangerous Wild Animals Acts 1976, Pet Animals Act 1951, Breeding of Dogs Act 1973, Riding Establishments Acts 1964 and 1970 and Zoo Licensing Act 1981,unless there are any adverse representations or other reasons why the officer considers it appropriate to refer the matter to the Committee

To designate authorised officers and to serve notices and apply for warrants on behalf of the Council under the following legislation:

Pet Animals Act 1951 Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963 Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1970 and 1991 Breeding of Dogs Act 1973 and 1991

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Riding establishments Acts 1964 and 1970
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974
Zoo Licensing Act 1981
County of Lancashire Act 1984
Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993

To appoint inspectors for the purposes of section 19 of the Health and Safety at Work (etc) Act 1974, who may then act as inspectors under the Act in accordance with their appointment.

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND ANY OTHER OFFICER DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To advertise, grant, issue and enforce street trading licences or consents under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, and to set the appropriate fee or charge.

#### **LICENSING ACT COMMITTEE**

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING)

In consultation with the Chairman of the Licensing Act Committee to determine film classification restrictions where there has been no classification by the British Board of Film Classification; save that, where the Chief Officer (Environment) considers it appropriate in view of the nature of the particular film, the matter shall be referred to the Committee.

To act on behalf of the Licensing Authority as Responsible Authority when required under the Licensing Act 2003.

To suspend licences and club premises certificates for non-payment of annual fees in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003

#### TO THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

To empanel ad hoc Sub-Committees from the pool of fifteen Licensing Act Committee Members

#### TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To make appropriate arrangements for the institution or defence of any legal proceedings relating to matters within the terms of reference of the Licensing Act Committee

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND LICENSING MANAGER

To designate authorised persons as defined in Section 13(2)(a) of the Licensing Act 2003.

To designate authorised persons as defined in Section 304(2) of the Gambling Act 2005

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## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (HEALTH AND HOUSING) AND LICENSING MANAGER AND ANY OTHER OFFICER DESIGNATED BY ANY OF THEM IN WRITING

#### Licensing Act 2003

To determine applications for Personal Licences, including with relevant Unspent Convictions provided no Police representation has been made.

To determine applications for Premises Licences/Club Premises Certificates provided no representation has been made.

To determine applications for Provisional Statements provided no representation has been made.

To determine applications to vary Premises Licences/Club Premises Certificates provided no representation has been made.

To determine applications to vary Designated Premises Supervisors provided no police objection has been received.

To determine any request to be removed as a Designated Premises Supervisor.

To determine applications for transfer of Premises Licences provided no police objection has been received.

To determine applications for interim authorities provided no police objection has been received.

To determine whether any representation is irrelevant frivolous vexatious etc.

To agree the appropriate scale of plans required to be submitted by an applicant. To dispense with a hearing in accordance with Regulation 9 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

To extend time limits in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

To identify points on which clarification may be required at a hearing, in accordance with Regulation 7 (1) (d) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

To acknowledge receipt of a Temporary Event Notice under Section 102 of the Licensing Act 2003 and, where appropriate, to serve counter-notice under Section 107 of the Act.

To determine applications for minor variations to Premises Licences/Club Premises Certificates.

In consultation with the Chairman of the Licensing Act Committee or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairman, authority to authorise applications for hypnotism subject to the standard conditions approved by the Committee.

#### Gambling Act 2005

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To determine applications for permits for 3 or 4 gaming machines in premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003.

To determine applications for premises licences under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been received or representations have been withdrawn.

To determine applications for a variation to a licence under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been received or representations have been withdrawn.

To determine applications for a transfer of a licence under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been received from the Gambling Commission.

To determine applications for a provisional statement under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been received or representations have been withdrawn.

To determine applications for club gaming/club machine permits under the Gambling Act 2005 where no objections have been made or objections have been withdrawn.

To determine applications for other permits under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been made.

To cancel licensed premises gaming machine permits.

To grant a temporary use notice under the Gambling Act 2005 where no representations have been made.

#### PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS REGULATORY COMMITTEE

#### TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (REGENERATION AND PLANNING)

In consultation with the Chief Executive, to instruct Counsel to advise and/or represent the Council.

To designate authorised officers for the purposes of Sections 196A, 196B,214B, 214C, 219, 324 and 325 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Sections 88 and 88A of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, who may then act on behalf of the Council under the relevant legislation in accordance with their designation as authorised officer

To set fees and charges for planning applications and any other services provided under the terms of reference of the Committee

## TO THE CHIEF OFFICER (REGENERATION AND PLANNING) AND ANY OTHER STAFF DESIGNATED BY HIM/HER IN WRITING

To determine applications under the provisions of Part III and VIII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Part I of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, having regard to the approved Development Plan and any relevant approved statement of policy, including proposals affecting Listed Buildings or in Conservation Areas EXCEPT for the following categories of development:

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- Applications in the major category as defined by the DCLG which are recommended for approval and are the subject of any objections
- Applications recommended for approval which are departures from the Development Plan
- Applications made by the City Council or major applications made by the County Council
- Applications by Members or officers of the Council and other parties where considerations of probity indicate that a Committee decision is required
- Any application which the Chief Officer (Regeneration and Planning)considers should be determined by the Committee
- Any application which a member of the Council asks to be referred to the Committee

To secure compliance with associated conditions or legal agreements in respect of any planning permission granted, to vary such conditions or agreements and to discharge any requirements of such agreements

To respond to consultations under the provisions of sections 42 and 43 of the Planning Act 2008 with the exception of responding formally to the Infrastructure Planning Commission or its successors in title under Sections 55 and 60 with the council's view on Statements of Community Involvement and Local Impact Reports.

To decline to determine applications for planning permission pursuant to Section 70A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

To determine requests for amendments to submitted or determined planning applications or other development related consents

To advertise and consult on advertising of planning and other like applications

In conjunction with the Chief Executive to contest appeals regarding matters within the terms of reference of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee

To serve notices for the preservation/repair of Listed Buildings or buildings/structures worthy of listing under the provisions of sections 3, 48 and 54 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

To make and enforce Tree Preservation Orders and related provisions

To determine applications for Certificates of Lawful Use or Lawful Development under the provisions of Section 191- 94 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

To issue a screening opinion or a scoping opinion under the Provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999

To waive the charge for the making of Revocation and Modification Orders in appropriate cases

To serve statutory notices in respect of any highway matter within the terms of reference of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee

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To make observations on development and development plans proposed by neighbouring authorities

## TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND ANY OFFICERS DESIGNATED BY HIM IN WRITING

To make appropriate arrangements for the institution or defence of any legal proceedings relating to matters within the terms of reference of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee

To prepare any documentation necessary to bring into effect a decision of the Planning and Highways Regulatory Committee

In consultation with the Chief Officer (Regeneration and Planning) to issue, serve and withdraw Enforcement Notices, Stop Notices and Temporary Stop Notices, Planning Contravention Notices, Breach of Condition Notices and Notices under Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

To make arrangements for the service of notices under Section 330 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

#### **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

#### TO THE MONITORING OFFICER

To determine in accordance with the Standards Committee's arrangements under the Localism Act 2011 whether an allegation of breach of the code of conduct should be investigated or no action taken.

To appoint an investigating officer as appropriate

To make arrangements for a hearing as appropriate.



## **Appointments to Outside Bodies, Partnerships and Boards 15 May 2017**

## **Report of Chief Executive**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To allow Council to consider its appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards, as set out in the report.

This report is public

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) That Council notes the changes that have occurred mid-year and confirms appointments to outside bodies as set out in Appendix 1, or makes amendments as required.
- (2) That appointments are made to two vacancies on Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council by nomination and voting at this Council meeting.
- (3) That an appointment is made to a vacancy on Lancaster University Council by nomination and voting at this Council meeting.
- (4) That Council notes that all appointments made at the meeting will extend until the next City Council Elections in 2019.

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 At its meeting in May 2015 Council agreed new appointments to all outside bodies and partnerships. The appointments were for a four year period until the next City Council elections, subject to confirmation at each Annual Council meeting, in line with the Council's Constitution (Part 6, Section 4 Paragraph 4.5).
- 1.2 There have been some changes during the year which are explained in paragraph 3.0 below.

#### 2.0 Proposal

- 2.1 Attached at Appendix 1 is a list of all organisations to which Council has made an appointment and the details of the appointments made, whether by virtue of position on Cabinet or Committee, as ward councillor, or by nomination of Council.
- 2.2 Appointments have been made to all bodies for a four year term, ending in May 2019. Should any appointments made on the basis of a Councillor's role be affected by changes to appointments to Cabinet or Committee Chairmanships, these will be referred directly to the relevant body.

#### 3.0 Appointments and Changes

- 3.1 Councillor Warriner is unable to attend daytime meetings of the Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council (HNPSLCLC) and Lancaster University Council and has resigned from those bodies. The basis of appointment to both of these outside bodies is by nomination and voting at Council. Councillor Bateson has also asked to be replaced in the HNPSLCLC as an employee of EDF Energy at Heysham 2. Members are therefore asked to receive nominations and make two appointments to the HNPSLCLC and one appointment to Lancaster University Council. All appointments will extend until the next City Council Elections in 2019.
- 3.2 Democratic Services has been informed that Lune Valley Transport Enterprise is no longer in operation.

#### 4.0 Monitoring of Attendance

- 4.1 At its meeting on 17 December 2014, Council considered a method of monitoring Members' attendance at the outside bodies they have been appointed to. Council resolved:
  - (1) That Councillors appointed to outside bodies inform Democratic Services of the meetings they have attended throughout the year.
  - (2) That officers include details of attendance in each report to Annual Council to inform Members when appointments to outside bodies are reconfirmed.
- 4.2 Appendix A contains attendance details supplied by Members. Some Members did not respond and there is no information by their names.

#### 5.0 Conclusion

5.1 Council is asked to consider its appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards as set out in this report.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

(including Health and Safety, Equality and Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Members of outside bodies are entitled to travel expenses, which are currently being funded from within existing budgets.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications as a direct result of this report.

#### **SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Representations on Outside Bodies file.

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## SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES, PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS

#### APPOINTMENTS MADE BY VIRTUE OF ROLE/POSITION

#### APPOINTMENTS MADE BY CABINET

**BID Company Ltd** 

Community Safety Partnership (Cabinet Member and reserve)

Health and Wellbeing Partnership (Cabinet Member and reserve)

Lancashire Leaders Meeting (Leader of the Council)

Lancashire Waste Partnership

Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel (1 place; the other place is by nomination and voting at Council)

Lancaster Business Improvement District (BID) Management Group

LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group

Morecambe Bay Partnership

Museums Advisory Forum (+ member of O/S)

Yorkshire Dales National Park Board

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY (one appointment unless otherwise stated)

Homelessness Forum

Lancaster, Morecambe and District Fairtrade Group (Change of name from Lancaster and Morecambe Fairtrade District Steering Group)

Museums Advisory Forum (+ Cabinet Member)

#### APPOINTMENTS MADE BY OTHER COMMITTEES

Organisation	Basis of Appointment
Crook O'Lune Advisory Committee	1 rep from Planning Committee (and ward Members, see below)
North West Local Authority Employers'	Chair of Personnel Committee (Vice Chair of
Organisation	Personnel Committee as substitute)

#### APPOINTMENTS HELD BY WARD COUNCILLORS

Organisation	Ward (All Ward Councillors unless otherwise stated)
Crook O'Lune Advisory Committee	Lower Lune Valley – one Member by nomination and Halton ward Member (plus a rep from the Planning Committee, see above)
Friendship Centre Management Committee	Castle; one rep by nomination
Marsh Community Centre Management Committee	Marsh;one representative by nomination
Heysham Mossgate (Community Facilities) Company Limited	Heysham South (one representative by nomination)

#### SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES, PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS

## <u>APPOINTMENTS MADE BY NOMINATION TO COUNCIL – (one appointment unless otherwise stated)</u>

Arnside and Silverdale AONB Unit - Councillor Goodrich

Board of the Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce – Councillor Hughes

Board of Trustees of the Lancaster Charity (6) - Councillors Brookes, Brown, Denwood,

Pattison, Redfern and Sherlock

Court of the University of Lancaster (5) Councillors Armstrong, Atkinson, Blamire, Leyshon and Burns

Domestic Abuse Reduction Group – Councillor Atkinson

Dukes Playhouse Board of Directors (4) – Councillors Biddulph, Blamire, Cozler and Leyshon

Forest of Bowland AONB Advisory Committee – Councillor Parkinson

Furness Line Community Railway Partnership – Councillor Yates

Fylde, Lancashire and Wyre Childrens Partnership Board - Councillor Brown

George Fox School Educational Charity – Councillor Sykes

Headlands to Headspace (H2H) Board – Councillor Yates

Health Scrutiny Committee - Councillor Hartley

Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council (9) - Councillors Biddulph,

Brayshaw, Bryning, Cooper, Gardiner, Hartley, Pattison and two vacancies

James Bond/Henry Welch Trust - Councillor Warriner

Lancashire Tourism Forum - Councillor Sands

Lancashire Visitor Economy Forum - Councillor Thynne

Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group - Councillor Yates

Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel (1 place; the other place is a Cabinet appointment) – Councillor Barry

Lancaster District CVS- Councillor Sherlock

Lancaster Ripley Church of England Education Trust (2) Councillors Bryning and vacancy

Lancaster University Council - Councillor Warriner

Landscapes for Life – Councillor Goodrich

Leeds-Morecambe and Settle-Carlisle Railway Development - Councillor Bryning

Lune Park Children's Centre – Councillor Brown

North Lancashire Citizens Advice Bureaux Board (3 places, Morecambe, Lancaster and

Rural) - Councillors Biddulph, Thynne and Whitaker

North West Home Safety Council - Councillor Pattison

Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council - Councillor Novell

Rainbow Centre (formerly Age Concern, Morecambe and Heysham) (2) – Councillors Hall and Pattison

Relate Lancashire - Lancaster District - Councillor Atkinson

Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for the N. West of England and the Isle of Man – Councillor Bryning

## **Outside Body Attendance for 2016/2017**

Outside Body	Councillor	Attendance and Comments
Arnside and Silverdale AONB Unit	Nigel Goodrich	1 meeting
Board of Trustees of Lancaster Charity	Dave Brookes	4 meetings and 2 events
	Sheila Denwood	2 meetings (due to ill health)
	Margaret Pattison	0 meetings
	Robert Redfern	Approximately 10 meetings
	Roger Sherlock	
	Oscar Thynne	Appointed February 2017 - 0 attended
Board of the Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce	Brendan Hughes	7 meetings
Community Safety Partnership	Brendan Hughes	3 meetings
Court of the University of Lancaster	Sam Armstrong	Attended all meetings
	Lucy Atkinson	1 meeting
	Eileen Blamire	Attended all meetings
	Nathan Burns	
	James Leyshon	1 meeting
Crook O'Lune Advisory Committee	Jane Parkinson	1 meeting
	Roger Sherlock	
	Paul Woodruff	
Domestic Abuse Reduction Group	Lucy Atkinson	No contact received from Domestic Abuse Reduction Group
Dukes Playhouse Board of Directors	Alan Biddulph	6 meetings
	Eileen Blamire	Attended all meetings
	Claire Cozler	3 meetings
	James Leyshon	4 meetings
Forest of Bowland AONB Committee	Jane Parkinson	2 meetings
Friendship Centre Management Committee	Dave Brookes	11 meetings
Furness Line Community Railway Partnership	Peter Yates	4 meetings
Fylde, Lancaster and Wyre Children's Partnership Board	Tracy Brown	

George Fox School Educational Charity	Susan Sykes	1 meeting
H2H Landscape Partnership Board	Peter Yates	3 meetings
Health and Wellbeing Partnership	Karen Leytham	
Health Scrutiny Committee	Colin Hartley	6 meetings
Heysham Mossgate (Community Facilities) Co. Ltd.	Alan Biddulph	4 meetings
Heysham Nuclear Power Station LCLC	Stuart Bateson	1 meeting
	Alan Biddulph	None – no correspondence received from Heysham Nuclear Power Station LCLC
	Carla Brayshaw	
	Abbott Bryning	2 meetings
	Brett Cooper	1 meeting
	Andrew Gardiner	
	Colin Hartley	2 meetings
	Margaret Pattison	1 meeting
	Andrew Warriner	Is resigning due to clashes with meetings and work
Homelessness Forum	Tracy Brown	
Kings Own Royal Regiment Museum	Liz Scott	1 annual meeting attended
Lancashire Leaders' Meeting	Eileen Blamire	
Lancashire Visitor Economy Forum	Oscar Thynne	Not contacted by Lancashire Visitor Economy Forum
Lancashire Waste Partnership	Brendan Hughes	1 meeting
Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group	Peter Yates	7 meetings
Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel	Jon Barry	2 meetings
	Margaret Pattison	4 meetings
Lancaster District CVS	Roger Sherlock	
Lancaster, Morecambe and District Fairtrade Group	Brett Cooper	3 meetings
Lancaster Ripley Church of England Education Trust	Abbott Bryning	3 meetings
	John Reynolds	2 meetings
Lancaster University Council	Andrew Warriner	2 meetings
Landscapes for Life	Nigel Goodrich	Not contacted by Landscapes for Life
Leeds-Morecambe and Settle-Carlisle Railway	Abbott Bryning	3 meetings
Development Partnership		
LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group	Darren Clifford	

Lune Park Children's Centre	Tracy Brown	
Management Group of Lancaster Business	Janice Hanson	20 meetings (8 Lancaster Bid, 4 Bid Finance, 6 Morecambe Bid
Improvement District (BID)		and 2 Morecambe Bid sub meetings)
Marsh Community Centre Management Committee	Jon Barry	12 meetings
Morecambe Bay Partnership	Janice Hanson	None attended
Museums Advisory Forum	Darren Clifford	
	Phillippa Williamson	1 meeting
North Lancashire Citizen's Advice Bureaux Board	Alan Biddulph	6 meetings
	Oscar Thynne	Appointed September 2016 – 3 meetings
	David Whitaker	6 meetings
North West Local Authorities Employers' Organisation	Lucy Atkinson	All meetings have clashed with Council meetings
Preston and Western Lancs Racial Equality Council	Rebecca Novell	
Rainbow Centre	Janet Hall	1 meeting
	Margaret Pattison	2 meetings
Relate Lancashire – Lancaster District	Lucy Atkinson	No contact from Relate Lancashire – Lancaster District
Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for NW	Abbott Bryning	None – only one called and clashed with another meeting
England and Isle of Man		
Yorkshire Dales National Park Board	Margaret Pattison	12 meetings



# Appointment to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel 15 May 2017

### Report of the Chief Executive

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise Council regarding making an appointment to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel.

This report is public

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

- (1) That Council notes that the political balance in Lancashire, following local elections in May 2017, was unknown at the time of drafting this report.
- (2) That, the Council puts forward a Labour Member for appointment to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel for the municipal year 2017/18 to enable the Council to be represented at the next meeting of the Panel on 5 June 2017.

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 A Police and Crime Panel (PCP) for Lancaster was established as a formal Joint Committee of the 15 local authorities for the Lancashire Police force area in 2012. The arrangements, procedural rules and terms of reference of the Panel, put forward by the County Council as Panel co-ordinators, were agreed by Lancaster City Council on 14 May 2012.
- 1.2 PCPs were established in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. The legislation provides that a 'balanced appointment objective' must be met, as far as is reasonably practicable. This means that the members of the Panel, when taken together, should represent the political make up and represent all parts of the relevant local authorities for the police area. Blackburn with Darwen, as the host authority, will instruct other authorities of the appointments to be made.

#### 2.0 Proposal

2.1 At the time of writing this report the results of the local government elections on 4 May 2017 are not yet known, therefore it is not known if Lancaster City Council will be asked to appoint one or two members. It has usually been one just one Labour Group Member although there has been at least one year when the City Council has been able to

- appoint one Labour and one Conservative member, depending on political balance in the County area.
- 2.2 It is possible that Democratic Services will have received instructions from Blackburn with Darwen Council, after agenda publication. If the Council has been invited to appoint two Members to the Panel for 2017/18 it will be reported before, or at, the meeting and both appointments can be made together.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

(including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

None.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications for the authority. The administration costs of the panel are paid by the Home Office to Blackburn-with-Darwen Council as the host authority and reimbursement for travel expenses can be claimed from Blackburn-with-Darwen.

#### OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Human Resources; Information Services; Property; Open Spaces: None.

#### **SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

#### MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

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