



LANCASTER
CITY COUNCIL

Promoting City, Coast & Countryside

COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday, 2 March 2016 –
6.00 p.m.
Morecambe Town Hall**

Mark Cullinan,
Chief Executive,
Town Hall,
Dalton Square,
LANCASTER,
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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 March 2016 commencing at 6.00 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 3 February 2016 (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 10 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.

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. PETITIONS AND ADDRESSES

To receive any petitions and/or addresses from members of the public which have been notified to the Chief Executive in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

ITEMS DEFERRED FROM THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

8. NOTICE OF MOTION - FLOODING (Pages 1 - 2)

To consider the following motion submitted by Cllrs Rob Devey, Cllrs David Whitaker, Richard Newman-Thompson, Colin Hartley and Karen Leytham:

This council:

- Expresses its thanks to everyone involved in the response to December's floods, including the emergency services, businesses, council officers and members of the community.
- Welcomes the efforts currently underway by the council to assist in identifying what improvements can be made to help prevent the flooding and power cuts experienced in the Lancaster district in December from happening again – and asks officers for an overview of these and a further update by July.
- Affirms this council's commitment to continuing to work with lead flood authority Lancashire County Council, the Environment Agency and other agencies to secure funding for the necessary improvements.
- Agrees that flood defences should be designed to cope with much greater unprecedented volumes of rainfall given the evidence of new volatility in British weather conditions.
- Recognises that investment to prevent flooding in the first place is a better use of taxpayers money than the huge financial and human costs involved in dealing with the aftermath of flooding.
- Urges the Government to ensure that necessary funding is provided to implement recommended improvements to flood defences in the Lancaster district.

An officer briefing note is attached.

9. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR ELECT

To appoint a Mayor Elect to be put forward for election by the City Council in May 2016, for the municipal year 2016/17.

10. REVIEW OF PART 3, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION (Pages 3 - 6)

Report of the Monitoring Officer.

11. LEADER'S REPORT (Pages 7 - 9)

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

REPORTS REFERRED FROM CABINET, COMMITTEES OR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

12. BUDGET FRAMEWORK 2016/2020

Report of Cabinet (to follow).

13. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT** (Pages 10 - 34)

Report of Cabinet

OTHER BUSINESS

14. **COUNCIL TAX 2016/2017** (Pages 35 - 40)

Report of the Chief Officer (Resources).

15. **EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS** (Page 41)

To note the report of the Leader.

16. **APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS** (Pages 42 - 44)

Report of the Monitoring Officer.

17. **PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2016 - 2017**

Report of the HR and OD Manager (to follow).

18. **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES** (Pages 45 - 46)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance).

19. **CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS**

To approve any changes to committee memberships.

20. **QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12**

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.

21. **MINUTES OF CABINET** (Pages 47 - 63)

To receive the Minutes of Meeting of Cabinet held on 16 February 2016.



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Chief Executive