



LANCASTER
CITY COUNCIL

Promoting City, Coast & Countryside

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 13 July 2016

6.00 p.m.

Morecambe Town Hall

Susan Parsonage,
Chief Executive,
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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, 13 July 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 Meetings of the City Council held on 16th May and 15th June, 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.

8. **PETITION - DENNY BECK** (Pages 1 - 5)

To receive a petition and address from Mrs Janet Taylor to Council, notification of which has been received by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

Members are advised that the petition has in excess of 200 signatures and relates to a local matter which affects one ward. It has been scheduled for debate at this meeting and a report of the Chief Officer (Regeneration and Planning) is attached, in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

9. **PETITION - RYLANDS PARK**

To receive a petition and address to Council, notification of which has been received by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

Members are advised that the petition has in excess of 200 signatures and relates to a local matter which affects one ward. The petition has been scheduled for debate at the next meeting on 28th September 2016, and an officer report will be provided at that meeting to accompany the debate, in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

10. **LEADER'S REPORT** (Pages 6 - 9)

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

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

11. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE - DIVERSE AND TOLERANT SOCIETY (MOTION 1)** (Page 10)

To consider the following motion submitted by Councillors David Smith, Karen Leytham and Sam Armstrong:-

We are proud to live in a diverse and tolerant society. Racism, xenophobia and hate crimes of any description have no place in our country.

We at Lancaster City Council condemn racism, xenophobia and hate crimes unequivocally.

We will not allow such behaviour to become acceptable. We will work with other bodies, Community Safety Partnership, Communities together, Lancashire county council, Town and Parish councils to challenge such behaviour and prevent such crimes.

Lancaster City council wish to assure all of the Districts residents and visitors that they are valued members of our society.

An officer briefing note is attached.

12. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE - DIVERSE AND TOLERANT SOCIETY (MOTION 2)** (Pages 11 - 12)

To consider the following motion submitted by Councillors Caroline Jackson, Tim-Hamilton-Cox and Rebecca Novell:-

This council notes that:

Lancaster has a good record as a district of tackling hate crime and racist attacks both through police and council action and that its citizens are proud to live in a diverse and tolerant community within a diverse and tolerant society.

It is regrettable that a few racial/hate crime incidents have been reported in the district since the EU referendum but that the police service is confident that previous outreach and confidence-building work means that members of our communities are more willing to report incidents.

This council believes that:

All people living in Lancaster district are valued members of our community regardless of origin and that xenophobic or racist hate cannot become socially acceptable.

This council resolves that:

- 1) Lancaster City Council condemns racism, xenophobia and hate crimes unequivocally and believes that racism, xenophobia and hate crimes have no place in our district or our country.
- 2) Lancaster city council will work to ensure local bodies and programmes are supported to fight and prevent racism and xenophobia.
- 3) That the statements in points 1&2 are displayed prominently on the city council website and that a press release is issued to publicise the motion.
- 4) That O&S reviews the current local and city council measures taken to counter racism, xenophobia, and hate crime and reports back to Full Council within 4 months.
- 5) That all councillors consider increasing their involvement with, and support for, those organisations which strengthen communities and increase tolerance and respect between peoples from different countries, cultures and faiths.

An officer briefing note is attached.

OTHER BUSINESS

13. **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES** (Pages 13 - 15)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

14. **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.

15. **MINUTES OF CABINET** (Pages 16 - 45)

To receive the Minutes of Meetings of Cabinet held on 26th April and 28th June, 2016.



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Chief Executive

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