



**LANCASTER**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

*Promoting City, Coast & Countryside*

# **COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, 18 December 2019 -  
6.00 p.m.  
Morecambe Town Hall**

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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, 18 December 2019 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 13 November 2019 (previously circulated).

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

Councillors 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, Councillors 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, Councillors 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 - FORMER COUNCILLOR GEOFF WILSON**

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. **LEADER'S REPORT** (Pages 6 - 7)

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

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

9. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Council is recommended to pass the following recommendation in relation to item 10:-

"That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of that Act."

Members are reminded that, whilst the following item has been marked as exempt, it is for Council itself to decide whether or not to consider it in private or in public. In making the decision, Members should consider the relevant paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and also whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. In considering their discretion Members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

10. **INVESTMENT PROPOSALS** (Pages 8 - 28)

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Finance.

11. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR REVIEW** (Pages 29 - 41)

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Finance.

**MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

12. **MOTION ON NOTICE - FIREWORKS** (Pages 42 - 43)

The following motion on notice has been received from Councillor Hartley. Seconders are Councillors Erica Lewis, Jean Parr, John Reynolds and Jason Wood.

*Fireworks can be frightening for domestic, farm and wild animals. Each year the firework 'season' can last for several weeks around Bonfire Night and again at Christmas/New Year time with the year interspersed with fireworks to mark birthdays/weddings and*

*other events. Added together and there don't seem to be many months when fireworks are not heard!*

*"This Council resolves:*

- to require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people*
- to actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks*
- to write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays*
- to encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display.*

A briefing note has been provided by officers.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **13. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR ELECT**

To appoint a Mayor Elect to be put forward for election by the City Council in May 2020, for the municipal year 2020/21.

### **14. LOCALISED COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME 2020/21 (Pages 44 - 54)**

Report of the Financial Services Manager.

### **15. COMMITTEE SYSTEM WORKING GROUP (Pages 55 - 57)**

Report of the Democratic Services Manager.

### **16. DISABILITY CHAMPION (Pages 58 - 59)**

Report of the Democratic Services Manager.

### **17. COMMITTEE TIMETABLE 2020/2021 (Pages 60 - 63)**

Report of the Democratic Services Manager.

### **18. PARENTAL LEAVE POLICY FOR COUNCILLORS AND CARERS' ALLOWANCE SCHEME (Pages 64 - 71)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Services.

### **19. APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Group Administrators to report any changes to Committee Membership.

### **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 72 - 79)

To receive the Minutes of Meeting of Cabinet held 5 November 2019.



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