

# **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 2nd November, 2011 at 1.00 pm

## **MEMBERSHIP**

# **Councillors**

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#### **CONFIDENTIAL AND EXEMPT ITEMS**

The reason for confidentiality or exemption is stated on the agenda and on each of the reports in terms of Access to Information Procedure Rules 9.2 or 10.4(1) to (7). The number or numbers stated in the agenda and reports correspond to the reasons for exemption / confidentiality below:

## 9.0 Confidential information – requirement to exclude public access

9.1 The public must be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that confidential information would be disclosed. Likewise, public access to reports, background papers, and minutes will also be excluded.

#### 9.2 Confidential information means

- (a) information given to the Council by a Government Department on terms which forbid its public disclosure or
- (b) information the disclosure of which to the public is prohibited by or under another Act or by Court Order. Generally personal information which identifies an individual, must not be disclosed under the data protection and human rights rules.

### 10.0 Exempt information – discretion to exclude public access

- 10. 1 The public may be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that exempt information would be disclosed provided:
  - (a) the meeting resolves so to exclude the public, and that resolution identifies the proceedings or part of the proceedings to which it applies, and
  - (b) that resolution states by reference to the descriptions in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (paragraph 10.4 below) the description of the exempt information giving rise to the exclusion of the public.
  - (c) that resolution states, by reference to reasons given in a relevant report or otherwise, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
- 10.2 In these circumstances, public access to reports, background papers and minutes will also be excluded.
- 10.3 Where the meeting will determine any person's civil rights or obligations, or adversely affect their possessions, Article 6 of the Human Rights Act 1998 establishes a presumption that the meeting will be held in public unless a private hearing is necessary for one of the reasons specified in Article 6.
- 10. 4 Exempt information means information falling within the following categories (subject to any condition):
  - 1 Information relating to any individual
  - 2 Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
  - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
  - Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or officerholders under the authority.
  - Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
  - 6 Information which reveals that the authority proposes
    - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
    - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
  - Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

# AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded)	
			(*In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.	
			To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of those parts of the agenda designated as exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.	

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3			LATE ITEMS  To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration  (The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)  DECLARATION OF INTERESTS  To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the	
5			purpose of Section 81(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members Code of Conduct  MINUTES	1 - 16
			To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2011.  DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY	
6	Farnley and Wortley;		DEPUTATION TO COUNCIL 14TH SEPTEMBER 2011 - RESIDENTS OF FARNLEY AND WORTLEY OPPOSING THE SUPERMARKET DEVELOPMENT AT STONEBRIDGE MILLS, STONEBRIDGE LANE, LEEDS 12  To consider the report of the Director of City Development replying to the issues and concerns raised by the deputation to Council on 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2011 from residents of Farnley and Wortley opposing the supermarket development at the Stonebridge Mills, Stonebridge Lane, Leeds 12. The report also updates Members on further planning applications received on the site which are under consideration.	17 - 22

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7			DIRECTOR'S RESPONSE TO REPORT BY SCRUTINY BOARD (REGENERATION) ON HOUSING GROWTH  To consider the report of the Director of City Development setting out the response of the Directors of the relevant directorates to the recommendations arising from the recent Scrutiny Board (Regeneration) inquiry into issues associated with housing growth. As required by the constitution the report has been prepared in consultation with the Executive Member for Development.	23 - 66
8 K			INFORMAL CONSULTATION ON HOUSING GROWTH  To consider the report of the Director of City Development seeking the agreement of Members on a set of draft housing growth principles for incorporation into the Core Strategy.	67 - 78
9 K	Cross Gates and Whinmoor; Garforth and Swillington; Harewood; Temple Newsam;	10.4(3) Appendix 1 and Plan 2	LAND AT THORPE PARK, COLTON, LEEDS  To consider the report of the Director of City Development advising Executive Board about a number of development opportunities in East Leeds that will provide major commercial and housing economic growth to the City, and seeking approval to enter into an agreement with the Developer so as to facilitate part of this future development.  Appendix 1 and Plan 2 to this report are designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3).	79 - 100
10 K			ECONOMIC GROWTH STRATEGY  To consider the report of the Director of City Development seeking Executive Board's approval for a new 'Economic Growth Strategy' for the City.	101 - 122

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11	Beeston and Holbeck; Kippax and Methley; Otley and Yeadon; Wetherby;		DEVELOPING A RESPONSE TO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING IN LEEDS  To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance) and the Director of City Development providing an overview of neighbourhood planning (as envisaged in the Localism Bill) and highlighting the significant level of political interest and local debate already happening in many parts of the city, and the need to start the debate in order to develop a corporate response that is in line with the city's aspirations and helps to achieve the Council's strategic objectives. In order to achieve this, the report sets out four pilot areas for approval.  ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	123 - 144
12	All Wards;		RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT PFI PROJECT - RESPONSE TO LEEDS FRIENDS OF THE EARTH DEPUTATION  To consider the report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods providing a response to the issues raised by Leeds Friends of the Earth (FoE) further to the deputation that attended full Council on 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2011 titled "Why Leeds should not be chained to Waste Incineration".	145 - 166

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13 K	All Wards;	10.4(3) Appendix B and C	WASTE SOLUTION FOR LEEDS - RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT PFI PROJECT  To consider the report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods providing Members with an update on the progress of the Residual Waste Treatment PFI Project since the last Executive Board update at the Detailed Solution Stage in February 2010, and in particular, advising on the outcome of evaluation of tenders received in respect of the Project. The report also identifies the proposed preferred bidder and requests authority to proceed to the Preferred Bidder stage, and describes the programme and issues going forward into the preferred bidder and post contract signature stages.	167 - 204
14			Appendices B and C to this report are designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4(3). Please note that Appendix C will be tabled at the meeting, as it contains highly sensitive information.  NEIGHBOURHOODS, HOUSING AND REGENERATION  ALMO REVIEW UPDATE	205 -
14			To consider the report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods updating the Executive Board on progress with the implementation of the key reforms to the 3 ALMO model in Leeds, as set out in the recommendations of the November 2010 Executive Board report on the future of council housing.  CHILDREN'S SERVICES	214
15			CHILDREN'S SERVICES IMPROVEMENT UPDATE REPORT (NOVEMBER 2011)  To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services providing Executive Board with an update on the improvement activity that is continuing across Children's Services in Leeds, following earlier reports of a similar nature.	215 - 228

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16			PROGRESS REPORT ON THE LEEDS EDUCATION CHALLENGE  To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services summarising the progress made in establishing the Leeds Education Challenge (LEC), and providing a summary of progress and the proposals for the next steps in developing and implementing the challenge, in particular the establishment of a Leeds Education Challenge Board and proposed forward strategy to implement the LEC.  LEISURE	229 - 248
17			RESPONSE TO LEEDS OWL TRAIL DEPUTATION  To consider the report of the Director of City Development responding to the Deputation to Council made by the Leeds Owl Trail on 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2011.	249 - 256
18 K	Middleton Park;		DESIGN & COST REPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CHANGING ROOMS AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES AT MIDDLETON LEISURE CENTRE  To consider the report of the Director of City Development seeking approval to bring together funding from the Sharpe Lane 106 scheme, Transforming Day Opportunities for Adults with Learning Disabilities programme, and various revenue contributions, to deliver improvement to the facilities at Middleton Leisure Centre, which was referred to in the 2011/2012 revenue budget report.	257 - 266

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19	Harewood;		LOTHERTON ESTATE CONSULTATION UPDATE  To consider the report of the Director of City Development advising Executive Board on the outcomes of the public consultation and how it has been used to refine the proposals for Lotherton Hall Estate discussed at Executive Board in July.	267 - 274
20			ADULT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE  THE GOVERNMENT'S BLUE BADGE REFORM	275 -
			PROGRAMME - INTRODUCTION OF AN ADMINISTRATION CHARGE FOR THE ISSUE OF A BLUE BADGE	284
			To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance) and the Director of Adult Social Care informing Members of the main changes brought about by the Government's National Reform Programme to the Blue Badge disabled parking scheme, and the forthcoming changes to legislation regarding the issuing of Blue Badge Disabled Parking Permits. The report recommends the introduction of an administration charge of £10 from 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2012 as a result of the additional costs being incurred by the Council, with a £5 concessionary charge for lost/stolen badges, and no charge for children up to the age of 16, terminally ill people, war pensioners or armed forces personnel.	
			RESOURCES AND CORPORATE FUNCTIONS	
21			RESPONSE TO THE DEPUTATION TO COUNCIL BY THE LEEDS FAIRTRADE STEERING GROUP	285 - 294
			To consider the report of the Director of Resources providing Executive Board with information relating to the deputation made to full Council on 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2011 by the Leeds Fairtrade Steering Group.	

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22 K			FINANCIAL HEALTH MONITORING 2011/12 - MONTH 6  To consider the report of the Director of Resources setting out the Council's projected financial health position for 2011/12 at the half year stage of the financial year. The report includes a section on the financial performance of other key financial indicators, including Council tax collection and the payment of creditors. The report also reviews the position of the budget after six months and comments on the key issues impacting on the overall achievement of the budget for the current year.	295 - 316
23 K			CAPITAL PROGRAMME UPDATE 2011-2014  To consider the report of the Director of Resources providing Members with an update of the financial position for 2011/12 as at September 2011. The report includes an update of capital resources, a summary of schemes which have been upgraded from 'Amber' status to 'Green' status since the first quarter report, and provides a summary of progress made on some major schemes. In addition, the report seeks some specific approvals to allow some schemes to progress.	317 - 334
24 K			TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY UPDATE 2011/12  To consider the report of the Director of Resources providing a review and update of the Treasury Management Strategy for 2011/12.	335 - 344
25			LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESOURCE REVIEW CONSULTATION  To consider the report of the Director of Resources informing Members of the progress of the Local Government Resource Review and giving details of the consultation response submitted by the Council on 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2011.	345 - 376

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26			LARGE CASINO - APPROVAL OF REVISED GAMBLING ACT 2005 STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2010-2012  To consider the report of the Director of Resources presenting the revised Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy which contains a statement of the principles the Council will apply when making the determination of the large casino licence, and the consultation report which is the proposed Council response to the public consultation on the large casino section in the Policy, and the draft application pack.	377 - 388
27 K	City and Hunslet;		CHANGING THE WORKPLACE - DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY CENTRE ONE STOP DESIGN AND COST REPORT  To consider the report of the Director of Resources and the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance) updating Members on proposals to improve and modernise customer services delivered by Leeds City Council in the city centre through the delivery of a single integrated one stop in the city centre. The report seeks approval to spend £1,027,000 for delivery of this project.	389 - 402
28			LEEDS INITIATIVE SUB-BOARD ARRANGEMENTS  To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Customer Access and Performance) seeking to establish a framework for the creation of sub-boards to support the work of the five Leeds Initiative Strategic Partnership Boards.	403 - 408