

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on Wednesday, 9th May, 2012 at 10.00 am

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

A Blackburn	-	Farnley and Wortley;
J Blake	-	Middleton Park;
R Finnigan	-	Morley North;
S Golton	-	Rothwell;
P Gruen	-	Cross Gates and Whinmoor;
J Lewis	-	Kippax and Methley;
M Lobley	-	Roundhay;
A Lowe	-	Armley;
J Matthews	-	Headingley;
E Nash	-	City and Hunslet;
J Procter	-	Wetherby;
M Rafique	-	Chapel Allerton;
K Wakefield (Chair)	-	Kippax and Methley;

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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	
			1 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.	
			2 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 the following parts of the agenda designated as containing 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, as follows:-	

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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)	
4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
			To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members' Code of Conduct.	
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
			To receive any apologies for absence from the meeting.	
6			MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING	1 - 4
			To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19 th March 2012.	
7			ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE OF THE LEADER	5 - 10
			To receive a report of the City Solicitor informing the Committee about an amendment to the Local Government Act 2000, relating to the election and term of office of the Leader.	
8			NEW STANDARDS ARRANGEMENTS UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011	11 - 34
			To receive a report of the City Solicitor presenting proposals in relation to new conduct arrangements for Members under the Localism Act 2011.	

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9			REVIEW OF THE DECISION MAKING FRAMEWORK	35 - 64
			To receive a report for the Director of Resources and the City Solicitor presenting proposed amendments to the Council's Executive decision making framework.	
10			CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS - SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS	65 - 102
			To receive a report of the Director of Resources proposing amendments to the authority's scrutiny arrangements, following an annual review by the Scrutiny Officer.	
11			CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS - MISCELLANEOUS	103 - 108
			To receive a report of the City Solicitor asking the Committee to recommend amendments to the constitution to full Council, following the annual review of the constitution.	