

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 11th November, 2015 at 1.00 pm

Members of the Council are invited to attend and transact the following business:

1 Minutes 1 - 16

To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th September 2015.

2 Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest from Members

3 Communications

To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor, the Leader, Members of the Executive Board or the Chief Executive consider appropriate

4 Deputations

To receive deputations in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10

5 Recommendations of the Executive Board - Safer Leeds Strategy 2015/16 17 - 32

To consider the report of the Director of Environment and Housing setting out recommendations from the Executive Board on 23rd September 2015 to Full Council in respect of the Safer Leeds Strategy 2015/16.

6 Recommendations of the Executive Board - Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy 33 - 94

To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) setting out recommendations from the Executive Board on 21st October 2015 to Full Council in respect of the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy.

- 7 **Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee - nominations from Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS) - West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee** 95 - 106
- To consider the report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development putting forward recommendations of General Purposes Committee in relation to a West Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and associated membership nominations, as identified by Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS) at its meeting on 20 October 2015.
- 8 **Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee - Community Governance Review of Guiseley** 107 - 214
- To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) presenting recommendations from the General Purposes Committee on 19 October 2015 regarding the Community Governance Review of Guiseley.
- 9 **Report on the Leeds Award** 215 - 220
- To consider the report of the City Solicitor in respect of the Leeds Award.
- 10 **Report on Appointments** 221 - 222
- To consider the report of the City Solicitor on appointments.
- 11 **Report on the Electoral Review of Leeds City Council** 223 - 228
- To consider the report of the Chief Executive giving details of the arrangements and timetable for the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) Electoral Review of Leeds City Council.
- 12 **Report on the Inner West Community Committee** 229 - 236
- To consider a report in respect of the Inner West Community Committee
- 13 **Report on the Inner South Community Committee** 237 - 246
- To consider a report in respect of the Inner South Community Committee.
- 14 **Questions**
- To deal with questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11

To receive the following minutes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i):-

Executive Board	247 - 278
Scrutiny Boards	279 - 334
Plans Panels	335 - 378
Licensing Committee and Sub Committees	379 - 398
Advisory and Procedural Committees	399 - 424
Health and Wellbeing Board	425 - 434
Community Committees	435 - 486
Joint Committees	487 – 506

16 **Report on Devolution** 507 - 510

To consider a report of the Chief Executive updating Members on matters in the Leeds City Region LEP and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and details of the latest public combined authority meeting in September.

17 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor B Anderson)** 511 - 512
- Public Health and Planning

This Council notes the recommendations made in the Director of Public Health's Annual Report, approved at Executive Board in September 2015, particularly around planning and engagement with communities.

Council is concerned that the proposal to deliver 70,000 new homes in Leeds, with a possible increase in population of 150,000, could lead to an adverse impact on public health in the city. It could affect the ability of residents to access already stretched GPs and dental surgeries but also impact negatively on communities through increased road congestion, reduced air quality and loss of Greenbelt and open space. Council further notes the existing problems the Council is dealing with in relation to air quality and possible associated financial penalties.

The Public Health Annual Report goes on to set out how the Council aims to engage with communities. This Council is concerned that the consultation on the site allocations process does not meet those aims. Namely it does not:

- make it easy for everyone to take part
- make the engagement meaningful and honest
- involve people at the earliest possible stage
- show everyone the impact the engagement has had

This Council remains concerned about the plan to deliver 70,000 new homes and the process of consultation that underpins it.

18 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Finnigan) - Welfare Reform** 513 - 514

This Council accepts the necessity of welfare reform but believes any new welfare system must provide fair financial support for both hard working families and the vulnerable people of Leeds. The proposed Tax Credit reforms do not achieve these objectives and in light of this we call on the Chief Executive to write to the Government asking them to abandon them.

19 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Coupar) - Tax Credits** 515 - 516

This Council remains incredibly concerned about the impact on households in Leeds of Government's plans to remove up to £13billion nationally in support from some of the most vulnerable people by 2020/21. Council is particularly disappointed to learn that the promise to avoid cuts to tax credits has been broken.

This Council has noted analysis by the Institute for Fiscal Studies, the Resolution Foundation and others which demonstrates that tax and wage changes will not offset the shortfall from tax credit cuts in full, particularly with lengthy delays before the minimum wage increase could reach £9 per hour.

Council believes children will suffer the most as a result of this decision given that 77% of in work families claiming tax credits have a household income of less than £20,000 a year, and 83% of those in-work families have at least one child. Locally in Leeds this Council continues to work hard to give children the best start in life but is concerned that Government has decided to withdraw vital support from families working hard for low pay.

Council notes that this Government has failed to achieve its own deficit reduction targets set out in 2010 and the national debt doubled over the last Parliament. In that context, Council does not believe it is the right priority for Government to help the wealthiest 4% of the population to benefit from tax changes, whilst placing the burden of its own failure on hard working families in Leeds. This Council calls on Government to withdraw these damaging cuts and maintain vital support for those who need it in our city. Council asks that the Executive Board member for Communities writes to central government to notify them of this resolution.

This Council congratulates Lizzie Armitstead on her fantastic recent achievement in becoming only the fourth British woman to win the road cycling world championship following in the footsteps of Beryl Burton as the second woman from Leeds to achieve this magnificent feat.

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