

**A meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 16th January, 2019 at 1.00 pm**

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

**1 Minutes of the last Meeting 1 - 16**

To approve the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

**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 General Purposes Committee - Short Notice Decisions 17 - 42**

To consider the report of the City Solicitor setting out recommendations from the General Purposes Committee on 12 December 2018 to Full Council to make amendments to the Constitution to regularise the process for the late publication of reports supporting an officer Key decision.

**6 Report on the Calculation of the Council Tax and Business Rates Tax Bases for 2019/20 43 - 92**

To consider the report of the Chief Officer - Financial Services seeking agreement to the 2019/20 council tax bases for Leeds and the parish/town councils set out in the report and providing indicative business rates shares for 2019/20 and to request Council to give delegated authority to the Chief Officer – Financial Services to finalise the shares and to submit them in the *National Non-Domestic Rates Return 1 2019-20* on or before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

7 **Executive Questions**

To deal with executive questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.

8 **Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Executive Board** 93 - 140

To receive the minutes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

9 **Report on Devolution** 141 - 154

To consider a report of the Chief Executive updating Members on matters related to the progress of Devolution and matters regarding the Leeds City Region LEP and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority.

10 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Robinson) - Business Support** 155 - 156

This Council welcomes the Government commitment to high streets both in Leeds and nationally. Key announcements such as the £675m Future High Streets Fund, the Open Doors Project and business rate reductions for small businesses are welcome measures that will help the UK high street to thrive and businesses to grow.

Council notes that apprenticeships can play an important role in supporting both the public sector and private sector businesses. Council welcomes the recent decision to commit £3.2m of apprenticeship levy funding but notes that £0.6m remains unspent. Council believes this money should be put to use as a matter of urgency either working proactively with private sector organisations to deliver new skills and new employment opportunities to Leeds residents or delivering more apprenticeships within the Council.

Council also sees significant potential in the Apprenticeship Levy to close the gender pay gap by working with the Third Sector to encourage women into engineering and the digital sector.

This Council believes that more can be done in Leeds to support local businesses particularly as potentially difficult issues such as the Clean Air Zone are very much on the horizon. Council should consider extending sunset clauses where appropriate to support businesses that could be affected by the CAZ, particularly HGV operators, and look to provide more support, in addition to the local centres programme, for small businesses operating in town and district centres across the city.

Finally Council notes with concern the proposals contained in the Initial Budget Proposals 2019/20 to introduce car parking charges in town and district centres. As the Government introduces measures to support businesses and high streets the ruling administration in Leeds is introducing measures that will stymie those efforts and could have a real impact on businesses in Garforth, Wetherby and Guiseley.

This Council calls for the proposed parking charges to be removed from the initial budget proposals and for a city wide 'High Street Review' to be initiated to identify what additional measures can be introduced to support the High Street, with a report to be brought back to Executive Board no later than Spring 2019 announcing further details. Supporting our local high streets must be something we do all year round, not just for Christmas.

11      **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Leadley) -                      157 - 158**  
**Town and District Centres Car Parking Charges**

This Council believes, with trade as bad as it is, that its town and district centres would not stand new car-parking charges.

Therefore this Council resolves to oppose new car-parking charges within these centres, on its own land by straightforward resolution, and on privately owned land by persuasion.

12      **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Mulherin) -                      159 - 160**  
**Youth Services**

This Council values the contribution of Youth Services to improving the life chances of young people and calls on the Government to place Youth Services on a statutory footing and provide dedicated funding to secure that provision.



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