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Wednesday, 15 January 2014

TO EACH MEMBER OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a **MEETING OF THE COUNCIL** of the **CITY OF GLOUCESTER** to be held at the Civic Suite, North Warehouse, The Docks, Gloucester, GL1 2EP on **Thursday, 23rd January 2014** at **19:00** hours for the purpose of transacting the following business:

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **MINUTES (Pages 9 - 22)**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 November 2013.

Please note that there are two separate sets of minutes attached. One copy relating to Minute 61 'The Future of Gloucestershire Airport' is restricted by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive from Members, declarations of the existence of any disclosable pecuniary, or non-pecuniary, interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item. Please see Agenda Notes.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)**

The opportunity is given to members of the public to put questions to Cabinet Members or Committee Chairs provided that a question does not relate to:

- Matters which are the subject of current or pending legal proceedings or
- Matters relating to employees or former employees of the Council or comments in respect of individual Council Officers.

5. **PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS (15 MINUTES)**

A period not exceeding three minutes is allowed for the presentation of a petition or deputation provided that no such petition is in relation to:

- Matters relating to individual Council Officers, or
- Matters relating to current or pending legal proceedings

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 2(VII))**

To receive announcements from:

- a) The Mayor
- b) Leader of the Council
- c) Members of the Cabinet
- d) Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- e) Chief Executive

ISSUES FOR DECISION BY COUNCIL

7. **SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES**

To waive Council Procedure Rules to allow the relevant Officers to address the Council in respect of items 8, 9, 10, and 11, if necessary.

8. **BT&T SERVICE REVIEW - IT MANAGED SERVICE PARTNERSHIP (Pages 23 - 28)**

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources which updates Members on the strategic partnership proposal for the IT service delivery and seeks approval for the commencement of the contract with Civica UK Limited (Civica).

9. **SOUTHGATE STREET CONSERVATION AREA AND MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS REVIEW AND PROPOSED ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION (Pages 29 - 114)**

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture which informs Members of the Southgate Street Conservation Area and Management Proposals Review consultation exercise undertaken in September/October 2013 and considers adoption of the Review as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).

10. **COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE - ANNUAL REPORT 2012-13 (Pages 115 - 142)**

To receive the report of the Monitoring Officer which informs Council of the work of the Committee on Standards in Public Life during 2012-13 and recommends changes which need to be made to the Council's governance arrangements in the light of the report.

11. **ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL (Pages 143 - 148)**

To receive the report of the Chief Executive which advises Council of the process the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) is undertaking in its review of the electoral arrangements for Gloucester City Council and which asks Council to consider if consultation should be undertaken to review the cycle of elections for Gloucester City Council.

12. **IMPACT OF WELFARE REFORM IN RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF MOTION TO COUNCIL ON 12 SEPTEMBER 2013 (Pages 149 - 156)**

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources which updates Council on the impacts of Welfare Reform in response to Councillor Haigh's motion to Council on 12 September 2013.

13. **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS (COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12)**

a) Written questions to Cabinet Members

There are no written questions to Cabinet Members.

b) Leader and Cabinet Members' Question Time (45 minutes)

Any member of the Council may ask the Leader of the Council or any Cabinet Member any question without prior notice, upon:

- Any matter relating to the Council's administration
- Any matter relating to any report of the Cabinet appearing on the Council's summons
- A matter coming within their portfolio of responsibilities

Only one supplementary question is allowed per question.

c) Questions to Chairs of Meetings (15 Minutes)

MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS

14. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

(1) MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HILTON

This Council notes that Gloucester Cathedral is listed as a top five UK visitor attraction in 'Which' magazine readers' survey.

This Council notes and welcomes plans under Project Pilgrim to invest £5M in the Cathedral and its grounds.

This Council agrees to approach the Dean and Chapter to consider whether to apply to the Department of Culture, Media and Sport for Gloucester Cathedral to be listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

(2) MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HAIGH

Government figures show that people in Gloucester on average earn less than elsewhere in the South West, and that the region has lower earnings than the UK average. In addition to this, people in the City are typically £1600 a year worse off as a result of the Tory-led Coalition Government. The cost of Cameron is a price the people of this City cannot afford!

This Council resolves to make more efforts to bring skilled and well-paid jobs to the City and to work with partners to ensure that people who live in the City have the right skills to take those opportunities when they arise.

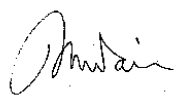
(3) MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HAIGH

This Council notes the importance of the Guildhall as a significant venue for live music and the reputation it has enjoyed for many years across the City and beyond. However, in order to continue to be able to attract quality live acts, the technical equipment needs to be of an acceptable standard.

The front of house sound desk and monitor desk are now at the end of their usable life, and no longer meet the requirements of bands who perform at the venue. The Guildhall is having to hire suitable equipment in order to meet these technical requirements. This is not sustainable in the long term.

Therefore, this Council requests that the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture investigates the costs of updating the sound desks and produces a report and business case for an equipment upgrade to Cabinet as a matter of urgency.

Yours sincerely



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Julian Wain
Chief Executive

NOTES

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

The duties to register, disclose and not to participate in respect of any matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 as follows –

<u>Interest</u>	<u>Prescribed description</u>
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) made or provided within the previous 12 months (up to and including the date of notification of the interest) in respect of any expenses incurred by you carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract which is made between you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (or a body in which you or they have a beneficial interest) and the Council (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the Council's area. For this purpose "land" includes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you, your spouse, civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the Council's area for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) – (a) the landlord is the Council; and (b) the tenant is a body in which you, your spouse or civil partner or a person you are living with as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where –

- (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the Council's area and
- (b) either –
 - i. The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
 - ii. If the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

For this purpose, "securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

NOTE: the requirements in respect of the registration and disclosure of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and withdrawing from participating in respect of any matter where you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest apply to your interests and those of your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner where you are aware of their interest.

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