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Gloucester  
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Wednesday, 13 November 2019

## **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, 21st November 2019** at **6.30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

### **AGENDA**

1. **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

To elect a Leader of the Council and to note the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Members.

3. **MINUTES (Pages 9 - 28)**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 September 2019.

4. **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.

5. **CALL OVER**

- (a) Call over (items 10-13) will be read out at the meeting and Members invited to reserve the items for discussion.
- (b) To approve the recommendations of those reports which have not been reserved for discussion.

**6. 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.

**7. 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 or deputation is in relation to:

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

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive announcements from:

- a) The Mayor
- b) Leader of the Council
- c) Members of the Cabinet
- d) Chairs of Committees
- e) Head of Paid Service

**9. MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME**

- a) Leader and Cabinet Members' Question Time (30 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)

## **ISSUES FOR DECISION BY COUNCIL**

### **10. SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS FOR PODSMEAD ESTATE REGENERATION AND MATSON ESTATE REGENERATION (Pages 29 - 218)**

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy seeking approval for the adoption of the Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) for Podsmead Estate Regeneration and Matson Estate Regeneration.

### **11. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL (Pages 219 - 222)**

To receive the report of the Corporate Director seeking approval for the appointment of the Independent Remuneration Panel.

### **12. URGENT DECISION OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR**

In accordance with Part 3 of the Constitution, Council is asked to resolve that the urgent decision of the Managing Director in respect of the review of polling districts and polling places be noted. The documents relating to the decision, including the approved proposals have previously been circulated and can be viewed on the council's website.

### **13. COUNCILLOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

In accordance with the Council's Scheme of Member Allowances, the Council is requested to consider and approve a request for a leave of absence of up to six months for Councillor Lee Hawthorne with effect from 1 December 2019.

## **MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

### **14. NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### **1. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR H. NORMAN**

"This Council resolves:

- to require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised by the organiser in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people;
- to actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks;
- to write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays;
- to encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display."

## **2. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR STEPHENS**

“Council has declared a ‘Climate Emergency’ and recognises the urgency of the actions needed to tackle the issue.

It has further resolved to carry out a Carbon Audit to inform the development of a City Council action plan on climate change to strive to meet the following targets:

- 1) A net-zero city council carbon footprint by no later than 2030 (taking carbon off-setting into account)
- 2) A carbon neutral city by 2050

Council further notes that it is important to engage with and involve local citizens in the development and implementation of plans to tackle climate change.

Council therefore resolves:

1. Within six months to publish the City Council action plan on tackling climate change for public consultation
2. To develop a detailed plan for communication and engagement with local citizens
3. To arrange a ‘Climate Summit’ including climate change experts as the first stage in this process.”

## **3. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR COOLE**

“This Council notes the publication of the indices of multiple deprivation by the Government for 2019. This Council recognises that while many super output areas have maintained or improved their position or are in good rankings nationally there are parts of the City which have significantly worsened over the last 10 years.

As an example, areas in Matson, Robinswood and White City Ward ranks in the worst 0.1% nationally for some measures.

This Council believes that urgent action should be taken to understand the factors which are damaging the lives of our citizens in these areas including the benefits cap, the bedroom tax, universal credit, poor housing and other austerity measures including the cuts to council funding. This Council agrees to commission an independent study working with local members and community organisations to develop a plan to improve the lives of people in the 5 worst super output areas in the City and to bring a report to Council in February 2020.”

#### **4. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HILTON**

“This council notes that the Department of Culture, Media and Sport announced on the 12th of October that £250 million would be made available for a Culture Investment Fund.

Of this new funding over £125m will be invested in regional museums and libraries around the country. More than £90m will be provided to extend the Cultural Development Fund which uses investment in heritage, culture and creativity to drive regeneration and growth.

This council agrees to work up a bid that will benefit the city of Gloucester and agrees that this bid should be developed with all party involvement.”

#### **5. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR BRAZIL**

“This council notes that the Liberal Democrats have announced a plan to plant 60 million trees in the UK every year to help combat climate change and improve biodiversity.

This council agrees to work up its own plan to plant a regular amount of trees each year.

This council asks the cabinet member, working in consultation with the other groups, to prepare a report on how the council can encourage more trees to be planted in Gloucester, on both public and private land.”

#### **15. WRITTEN QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS (Pages 223 - 228)**

Written questions and answers. Only one supplementary question is allowed per question.

#### **16. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

##### **To resolve:**

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the following item of business on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public are present during consideration of these items there will be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended.

**Agenda Item Nos.**  
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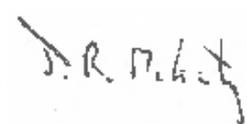
##### **Description of Exempt Information**

Paragraph 3: Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

17. **EXEMPT MINUTES (Pages 229 - 230)**

To approve as a correct record the exempt minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 September 2019.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. R. McGinty".

**Jon McGinty**  
**Managing Director**

## 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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- Do not stop to collect personal belongings;
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