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Westgate Street
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Wednesday, 20 January 2021

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 virtually via Microsoft Teams on **Thursday, 28th January 2021** at **6.30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

AGENDA

VIEWING ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMOTE MEETINGS

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1. **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **MINUTES (Pages 9 - 30)**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 November 2020.

To approved as a correct record the exempt minutes of the Special Council meeting held on 15 December 2020. As the minutes contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information), should Members wish to propose any revisions, Council will need to resolve to exclude the press and public from the meeting and move into private session at the end of the public part of the meeting.

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. **CALL OVER**

- (a) Call over (items 9-15) 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.

5. **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.

6. **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

7. **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

8. **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

9. CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY (Pages 31 - 190)

To consider the report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment concerning the Climate Change Strategy for the council.

10. KINGS QUARTER DELIVERY PROPOSAL (Pages 191 - 264)

To consider the report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Environment concerning the continuing delivery of Kings Quarter and required approvals.

As Appendices B-F contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information), should Members wish to discuss the information contained in these appendices, Council will need to resolve to exclude the press and public from the meeting and move into private session at the end of the public part of the meeting.

11. LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME (Pages 265 - 448)

To consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources concerning the Local Council Tax Support for 2021/22.

12. LICENSING ACT 2003 - REVISED LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT (Pages 449 - 514)

To consider the report of the Head of Place concerning the consultation on the Draft Revised Licensing Policy Statement and seeking the adoption of the final document.

13. CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES (Pages 515 - 574)

To consider the report of the Head of Paid Service concerning a number of proposed changes to the council's Constitution.

14. REVIEW OF APPOINTMENTS TO AND REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES (Pages 575 - 600)

To consider the report of the Corporate Director and Monitoring Officer concerning appointments to Outside Bodies.

15. **PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS, MAY 2021-APRIL 2023 (Pages 601 - 634)**

To consider the report of the Corporate Director concerning the Programme of Meetings for 2021-23 and a number of the amendments to the current programme.

MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS

16. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

1. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR BRAZIL

“This council notes the increase in cycling as a mode of transport since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. It agrees we should encourage improvements in facilities for cyclists in Gloucester and throughout Gloucestershire.

This council notes that many cyclists might also want to carry their bicycle on public transport, especially on buses.

This council calls on the county council to investigate the provision of carrying bikes on buses in the county and request they work with the bus companies looks at how this may be achieved.

This council agrees that we need to work towards encouraging and sustaining climate friendly transport.”

2. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HILTON

“This council notes that on 26th December the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government awarded £830 million to 72 areas in England to help transform their high streets.

Despite Gloucester City Council putting in a 17-page bid, this council records its disappointment that the city centre didn't get a penny from MHCLG.

Others city and town centres nearby, were successful. Swindon got £25m and Kidderminster £20.5m, with provisional funding awarded of £10m to Leamington Spa, £10m to Yeovil and £14m to Taunton.

This council calls on the leader to provide members with a written report of what went wrong. Highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of the submission and what could have been done better.”

3. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR PULLEN

“Council notes that elections to Gloucester City Council, Gloucestershire County Council and for Gloucestershire Police and Crime Commissioner are scheduled to take place on Thursday 6th May 2021.

Council further recognises that the Covid-19 pandemic is likely to deter people from turning up in person to exercise their vote at polling stations.

Council believes it is essential that people have the opportunity to vote and should make every effort to encourage electors to exercise their democratic right.

Council resolves:

- To organise a comprehensive campaign of voter registration to ensure as many people as possible are registered to vote.
- To inform people of their right to vote by post and encourage people to sign up for postal votes.
- To further remind people that if they are unable to vote in person or are absent for the election that they can appoint a proxy to vote on their behalf.”

4. PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR STEPHENS

“That in March 2020 in response to the coronavirus pandemic Universal Credit was uplifted by £20.00 per week to alleviate poverty amongst the poorest households. The uplift is worth £1,040 a year for all claimants.

The ‘temporary’ uplift is due to end on 1st April 2021.

In its recent report: “Universal Credit the wait for a first payment” the House of Commons Work and Pensions Committee concluded that the DWP was “right” to increase Universal Credit and that it should “commit to maintaining the increases in support that have been provided during the pandemic”.

A coalition of over 50 national charities has written an open letter to the Chancellor demanding that the uplift is made permanent.

Research by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation has calculated that 16 million households would be affected by the ending of the uplift, that 700,000 more people will fall into poverty, including 300,000 children.

In Gloucester official government figures show that in August 2020 there were 9,620 claimants in Gloucester. This is likely to have increased significantly during the 2nd national lock down.

In Gloucester thousands of our poorest households face significant cuts in their income and living standards.

Council resolves:

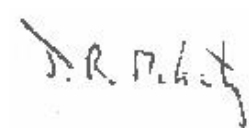
- To support calls by charities, campaigning organisations and the Work and Pensions Committee of the House of Commons to make the £20.00 uplift in Universal Credit permanent.

- To lobby the government to give effect to the above.
- To write to the City MP to lobby the government and urging him to support calls for the 'temporary' uplift in Universal Credit to be made permanent."

17. **WRITTEN QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS (Pages 635 - 640)**

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

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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