#### MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL ON 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2016

## PRESENT-

The Worship the Mayor (Councillor R. E. Carroll - in the Chair)

#### Councillors

G. Adam M. Adams Nadeem Ahmed Nawaz Ahmed M. Ammer E. Ansar Mohammed Arshad Muzawar R. Arshad N. H. Ashraf W. Blackburn N. Butterworth D. Clegg S. E. Cockburn-Price J. Cooney T. A. Cooney L. M. Crossley L. Davy M. S. Foxley M. Goulthorp A. R. Greaves K. Hartley J. M. P. Henderson M. Iqbal

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(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Horsfield, B. Parker and S. Petty).

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### MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor J. Cooney and -

#### RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

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### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of the requirement to declare any pecuniary or substantial non-pecuniary items of business.

# 50. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Following the recent by-election in the Reedley Ward the Worship the Mayor welcomed Councillor Pauline McCormick to the chamber. She also invited all Councillors into the Mayor's Parlour at the end of the meeting for a drink and mince pies.

The Leader advised Council of the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement (LGFS) for 2017/18 which had recently been announced. As far as Pendle was concerned he advised that allocations for Revenue Support Grant remained unchanged from those issued as part of the 4 year settlement offer. He also provided an update on the changes regarding New Homes Bonus, Business Rates, Council Tax Referendum Principles and the Social Care Precept.

## 51. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM THE PUBLIC TO THE LEADER

There were no questions from members of the public.

### 52. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS TO THE LEADER, A COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OR A REPRESENTATIVE ON AN OUTSIDE BODY ON MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

Councillor Yasser Iqbal asked the Leader what steps the current administration had taken to ensure the Council protected front line services from savage Conservative government cuts? The Leader said it was important to point out that the Council's reduction in funding from 2010/11 to 2019/20 was projected to be £8.83m which represented a 66% cut of funding to the Council. He referred to the recent transfer of services and facilities to Town and Parish Councils and the continuing work being undertaken in this area to help maintain services and facilities. He also said some difficult decisions would be needed to identify £2.2m of savings which were required for 2018/19. He encouraged all political parties to work together to protect the Council's services for future years.

Councillor Wayne Blackburn asked the Leader to join him in thanking Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service for their hard work for the people of Pendle, and asked him to join him in supporting Safer Lancashire's call for all residents to book a free home fire safety check. The Leader agreed with the question and encouraged all Councillors to recommend the booking of free home fire safety checks to residents within their wards. Councillor Blackburn also thanked everyone for their support and good wishes following a recent fire at his house.

Councillor Christian Wakeford asked what was the current annual cost of paper, printing and postage to the Council, and what were the projected costs for the Municipal Year 2017/18? In response the Leader said that excluding printing for elections the cost for this year was projected to be £94,960 and the estimated cost for 2017/18 was £58,940. In response to a supplementary question from Councillor Wakeford, the Leader said he would write to him with the take-up figures regarding e-billing for council tax.

# 53. REPORT BY THE LEADER ON THE EXECUTIVE'S WORK

The Leader submitted, for information, a report on the work of the Executive since the last meeting.

# 54. REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT TEAM

The Chairman of the Scrutiny Management Team submitted a report on Overview and Scrutiny activity since the last meeting of the Council.

# 55. RECORDED VOTES

Members were reminded that in accordance with Rule 17 of the Procedure at Full Council all votes on budgets were to be recorded. This included all motions and amendments on the following three minutes.

# 56. LIBERATA – EXTENSION OF CONTRACT AND RELATED MATTERS

Council considered a report from the Strategic Director on the proposed extension to the current contract with Liberata UK Ltd. The report outlined the basis on which this was proposed including the acquisition by the Council of the freehold of Number One Market Street, Nelson.

This report had been considered by the Executive at its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 where it was resolved:

- "(1) That the current contract with Liberata UK Ltd., be extended for a 10 year period from February, 2020 on the basis of the terms set out in the report.
- (2) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director to conclude the contract extension as outlined in the report in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Finance.
- (3) That the Council purchase the freehold interest of Number One Market Street, Nelson from Barnfield Investment Properties Ltd., for £3.300m in 2017/18.
- (4) Subject to (3) above, it be agreed that the purchase be funded by borrowing and that this be reflected in the development of the Council's capital programme for 2017/18 (with the timing of such borrowing delegated to the Financial Services Manager).
- (5) That subject to (1) and (3) above, it be agreed that Number One Market Street, Nelson be leased to Liberata on the basis of the terms outlined in the report."

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor A. R. Greaves –

- (1) That the current contract with Liberata UK Ltd., be extended for a 10 year period from February, 2020 on the basis of the terms set out in the report.
- (2) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director to conclude the contract extension as outlined in the report in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Finance.
- (3) That the Council purchase the freehold interest of Number One Market Street, Nelson from Barnfield Investment Properties Ltd., for £3.300m in 2017/18.
- (4) Subject to (3) above, it be agreed that the purchase be funded by borrowing and that this be reflected in the development of the Council's capital programme for 2017/18 (with the

timing of such borrowing delegated to the Financial Services Manager).

(5) That subject to (1) and (3) above, it be agreed that Number One Market Street, Nelson be leased to Liberata on the basis of the terms outlined in the report.

## AMENDMENT

It was moved by Councillor J. Cooney, seconded by Councillor P. White -

- (1) That the current contract with Liberata UK Ltd., be extended for a 10 year period from February, 2020 on the basis of the terms set out in the report.
- (2) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director to conclude the contract extension as outlined in the report in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Finance.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was declared LOST where it was -

### RESOLVED

- (1) That the current contract with Liberata UK Ltd., be extended for a 10 year period from February, 2020 on the basis of the terms set out in the report.
- (2) That delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director to conclude the contract extension as outlined in the report in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Finance.
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- (5) That subject to (1) and (3) above, it be agreed that Number One Market Street, Nelson be leased to Liberata on the basis of the terms outlined in the report.

In accordance with minute 55 above a recorded vote was taken on this issue.

Those Members voting in favour of the motion were Councillors:

G. Adam, M. Adams, Nadeem Ahmed, Nawaz Ahmed, M. Ammer, E. Ansar, Mohammed Arshad, N. H. Ashraf, W. Blackburn, D. Clegg, A. R. Greaves, K. Hartley, J. M. P. Henderson, M. Iqbal, Y. Iqbal, D. E. Lord, A. Mahmood, B. Newman, J. Nixon, G. Roach, M. Sakib, K. E. Shore, C. Teall, D. Whalley, D. M. Whipp. S. Wicks and N. Younis.

Those Members voting against the motion were Councillors:

Muzawar Arshad, N. Butterworth, R. E. Carroll, S. E. Cockburn-Price, J. Cooney, T. A. Cooney, L. M. Crossley, L. Davy, M. S. Foxley, M. Goulthorp, N. T. McCollum, P. A. McCormick, N. McEvoy, J. Purcell, J. K. Starkie, K. Turner, C. Wakeford, G. Waugh and P. White.

### 57. DEVELOPING THE MEDIUM TERM CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/20

It was reported that the Executive on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 recommended that Council agree a supplementary capital estimate of £1.1m in 2016/17 to cover the loan advance to Pendle Leisure Trust funded by borrowing.

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor D. M. Whipp -

#### RESOLVED

That a supplementary capital estimate of £1.1m in 2016/17 to cover the loan advance to Pendle Leisure Trust funded by borrowing be approved.

In accordance with minute 55 above a recorded vote was taken on this issue.

Those Members voting in favour of the motion were Councillors:

G. Adam, M. Adams, Nadeem Ahmed, Nawaz Ahmed, M. Ammer, E. Ansar, Mohammed Arshad, Muzawar Arshad, N. H. Ashraf, W. Blackburn, N. Butterworth, R. E. Carroll, D. Clegg, J. Cooney, T. A. Cooney, L. M. Crossley, L. Davy, M. S. Foxley, M. Goulthorp, A. R. greaves, K. Hartley, J. M. P. Henderson, M. Iqbal, Y. Iqbal, D. E. Lord, N. T. McCollum, P. A. McCormick, N. McEvoy, A. Mahmood, B Newman, J. Nixon, J. Purcell, G. Roach, M. Sakib, K. E. Shore, J K. Starkie, C. Teall, K. Turner, C. Wakeford, G. Waugh, D. Whalley, D. M. Whipp, P. White, S. Wicks and N. Younis.

Councillor S. E. Cockburn-Price voted against the motion.

# 58. TRANSFER OF PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS TO TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS

It was reported that the Executive on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 recommended that Council agree that the programmed grounds maintenance budget for the parks DSO be reduced by £90,000, equivalent to a 25% reduction.

It was moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor M. Iqbal –

### RESOLVED

That the programmed grounds maintenance budget for the parks DSO be reduced by £90,000, equivalent to a 25% reduction, be agreed.

In accordance with minute 55 above a recorded vote was taken on this issue.

Those Members voting in favour of the motion were Councillors:

G. Adam, M. Adams, Nadeem Ahmed, Nawaz Ahmed, M. Ammer, E. Ansar, Mohammed Arshad, Muzawar Arshad, N. H. Ashraf, W. Blackburn, N. Butterworth, R. E. Carroll, D. Clegg, J. Cooney, T. A. Cooney, L. M. Crossley, L. Davy, M. S. Foxley, A. R. Greaves, K. Hartley, J. M. P. Henderson, M. Iqbal, Y. Iqbal, D. E. Lord, N. T. McCollum, P. A. McCormick, N. McEvoy, A. Mahmood, B. Newman, J. Nixon, J Purcell, G. Roach, M. Sakib, K. E. Shore, J. K. Starkie, C. Teall, C. Wakeford, G. Waugh, D. Whalley, D. M. Whipp, P. White, S. Wicks and N. Younis. Council (15.12.2016)

Councillor S. E. Cockburn-Price voted against the motion and Councillors M. Goulthorp and K. Turner abstained.

#### 59. LOCAL SCHEME OF COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT 2017/18

The Financial Services Manager submitted a report on the Council's proposed scheme of local council tax support for the 2017/18 financial year.

At its meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 the Executive recommended –

- "(1) That the results of the recent public consultation exercise on possible changes to the Council's Local Scheme of Council Tax Support for 2017/18 be noted.
- (2) That it be noted that two of the changes proposed from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 were dependent on confirmation of Government policy decisions.
- (3) Subject to (2) above the technical changes required to align the scheme with the administration of Housing Benefits be recommended to Council for approval.
- (4) That subject to (3) above the proposed scheme of Local Council Tax Support at Appendix B attached to the report be recommended for approval by Council with an implementation date of 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017.
- (5) That Council be recommended to grant delegated authority to the Financial Services Manager, in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance, to make any amendments to the Scheme resulting from the annual updating of the detailed regulations which underpin the primary legislation."

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor A. R. Greaves -

### RESOLVED

- (1) That the results of the recent public consultation exercise on possible changes to the Council's Local Scheme of Council Tax Support for 2017/18 be noted.
- (2) That it be noted that two of the changes proposed from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 were dependent on confirmation of Government policy decisions.
- (3) Subject to (2) above the technical changes required to align the scheme with the administration of Housing Benefits be approved.
- (4) That subject to (3) above the proposed scheme of Local Council Tax Support at Appendix B attached to the report be approved with an implementation date of 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017.
- (5) That delegated authority be granted to the Financial Services Manager, in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance, to make any amendments to the Scheme resulting from the annual updating of the detailed regulations which underpin the primary legislation.

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# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

# (a) Governance Working Group

Minutes of a meeting of the Corporate Governance Working Group held on11th November, 2016 were submitted for information.

## (b) Council Size and Frequency of Elections

The Corporate Director submitted a report which set out a number of recommendations from the Governance Working Group regarding council size and frequency of elections.

The report outlined the process, the work involved and the decisions required. Appendix 1 set out the stages of an electoral review; Appendix 2 set out the Councillor: elector ratios as at 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2016, and Appendix 3 provided a comparison with the Council's "nearest neighbours" as defined by CIPFA.

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor A. R. Greaves -

### RESOLVED

- (1) That the Council agrees to the carrying out of an electoral review.
- (2) That the Governance Working Group be asked to reconsider the proposed reduction in the number of Councillors and the specific wards and that the recommendation be referred back to a future Council meeting.

### (c) Community Governance Review

The Corporate Director submitted a report on the proposed undertaking of a community governance review.

It was noted that it had been nine years since the Borough became fully parished with the creation of Colne and Nelson Town Councils. The review would look at how well things were working and whether any changes were needed.

Formal terms of reference for the review would need to be published and a consultation exercise would need to be undertaken.

It was moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor M. Iqbal -

### RESOLVED

- (1) That a Community Governance Review be undertaken to look at the parishing of the Borough, including the number and areas of town and parish councils, and their electoral arrangements including warding and numbers of councils.
- (2) That parish and town councils and Lancashire County Council be asked for their views as to what specific issues should be included.

(3) That the Governance Working Group and the Corporate Director be authorised to take forward the review, reporting back to the Council as appropriate.

#### 61. APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR TO THE COUNCIL

The Financial Services Manager submitted a report on possible options for appointing the external auditor to the Council along with a preferred course of action.

This report had been considered by the Executive on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 where it was resolved "that Council be recommended to opt in to the appointing person arrangements made by Public Sector Audit Appointments for the appointment of external auditors."

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor J. Cooney -

#### RESOLVED

That Council opt in to the appointing person arrangements made by Public Sector Audit Appointments for the appointment of external auditors.

#### 62. REVIEW OF POLITICAL BALANCE – ALLOCATION OF SEATS

Council were advised that following the result of the recent by-election for the Reedley Ward a review of the allocation of seats had been carried out. The only potential change would be on the Taxi and Other Licensing Committee. Currently this had 8 seats with the figures for the Labour and Conservative groups rounded up to give them 3 and 2 seats respectively. The figure for the Conservative group should also now be rounded up to give the group 4 seats. The simple answer would be that the Committee would now have 9 seats instead of 8 split 4:3:2.

It was moved by Councillor J. Cooney, seconded by Councillor M. Iqbal -

#### RESOLVED

That the Taxi and Other Licensing Committee be increased from 8 to 9 seats consisting of a membership of 4 Conservatives, 3 Labour and 2 Liberal Democrats.

#### 63. CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE REVIEW – FOLLOW UP VISIT

The Strategic Director submitted a report which provided details contained in the feedback letter from the Local Government Association following the recent Corporate Peer Challenge Review. The review was undertaken between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 with a follow up visit on 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

The feedback was summarised in the report with a more detailed feedback attached to the report as Appendix 1.

It was moved by Councillor M. Iqbal, seconded by Councillor A. Mahmood –

#### RESOLVED

That the letter be accepted.

64.

## NOTICES OF MOTION

# (a) Consistency of Education Authority Approach on New Dwelling Planning Applications

It was moved by Councillor K. Hartley, seconded by Councillor A. R. Greaves -

At the last Development Management Committee meeting it was highlighted that there was an irrational and inconsistent approach being taken by the Local Education Authority when applied to the seeking of an education contribution from developers as a condition of approval for new dwelling developments.

In Earby a recent development proposal was approved for 34 dwellings and with a primary yield of 7.3 primary places did not seek an education contribution despite it being centred in an area where all primary schools were operating at capacity, and with no planned expansion of primary school provision. In Kelbrook, a smaller development, which was refused (with a primary yield of 2 places) did ask for a contribution from the developers.

Within Colne brownfield development attracts demands from the education authority whilst greenfield developments do not.

This Council therefore resolves to specifically prompt the Education Authority to adopt a consistent approach.

#### RESOLVED

Accordingly.

### (b) Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Lancashire and South Cumbria

It was moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor Nawaz Ahmed -

Pendle Council notes the latest position on the NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Lancashire and South Cumbria, and expresses its concern at the low level of public information about proposals and consequences for health and care services in East Lancashire.

The Council further resolves that the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel lead, on behalf of the Council, the response to the proposals of the Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Lancashire and South Cumbria and in particular the response to the consultation planned for Spring 2017.

#### RESOLVED

Accordingly.

### (c) Flooding

It was moved By Councillor D. M. Whipp, seconded by Councillor C. Teall -

Council notes that almost 12 months since severe flooding on Boxing Day in Earby, and despite funding being agreed 11 months ago by the Environment Agency (EA), no work had been done on

the ground by the EA to reduce flood risk in the Arby catchment area; council also notes that the town was affected by further flooding in September and that this was an all too regular occurrence.

Council is greatly concerned at the slow implementation of flood alleviation work in Earby by the Environment Agency and the consequent continued heightened risk to homes and businesses in the area.

Council therefore resolves that:

- (1) The Strategic Director writes to relevant Government Ministers and the Member of Parliament for Pendle expressing the council's concern at the failure of the Environment Agency to carry out work on the ground and requesting a start on work without any further delay.
- (2) This authority supports calls for flood alleviation work to be carried out by councils, including borough council's like Pendle, and that our Member of Parliament be requested to support such a move.
- (3) Relevant agencies and councils be informed of this council's capability to oversee works of this nature and this authority's willingness to do so.
- (4) That Lancashire County Council and Yorkshire Water Authority be requested to undertake, as a matter of urgency, work which they are responsible for.

## RESOLVED

Accordingly.

### (d) Vote of No Confidence

It was moved by Councillor J. Cooney, seconded by Councillor P. White -

- (1) This Council has no confidence in the way the Leader, Councillor M. Iqbal, is leading the Council.
- (2) As a result the Leader, Councillor M. Iqbal, be removed from office with immediate effect.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was declared LOST.

In accordance with Rule 17.4.1 of the Procedure at Full Council and at the request of Councillors J. Cooney and P. White a recorded vote was taken on this issue.

Those Members voting in favour of the motion were Councillors:

Muzawar Arshad, N. Butterworth, R. E. Carrol, S. E. Cockburn-Price, J. Cooney, T. A. Cooney, L. M. Crossley, L. Davy, M. S. Foxley, M. Goulthorp, N. T. McCollum, P. A. McCormick, N. McEvoy, J. Nixon, J. Purcell, J. K. Starkie, K. Turner, C. Wakeford, G. Waugh and P. White.

Those Members voting against the motion were Councillors:

G. Adam, M. Adams, Nadeem Ahmed, Nawaz Ahmed, M. Ammer, E. Ansar, Mohammed Arshad, N. H. Ashraf, W. Blackburn, D. Clegg, A. R. Greaves, K. Hartley, J. M. P. Henderson, M. Iqbal, Y. Iqbal, A. Mahmood, B. Newman, G. Roach, M. Sakib, K. E. shore, C. Teall, D. Whalley, D. M. Whipp, S. Wicks and N. Younis.

## (e) Urban Altitude, Colne and Nelson Fun Fair Site, Carr Road, Nelson

It was moved by Councillor J. Cooney, seconded by Councillor P. White -

Council resolves that it will not sell or enter into any negotiations for sale, the land at Pendle Leisure Centre which has been used by Urban Altitude, or the land which has been recently used for Nelson Fun Fair, for a period of at least twelve months from this date.

#### AMENDMENT

It was moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor M. Iqbal -

Council –

- (1) Notes that Pendle Leisure Trust has no further use for the land at Pendle Leisure Centre which has been used by Urban Altitude, and requests the Executive to conduct a consultation to see whether any other local organisation wishes to use it for leisure purposes; the February meeting of the Executive further consider whether to declare the land surplus to requirements and any other proposals for its future use, including any proposals made in response to the consultations.
- (2) Resolves to continue to support the reinstatement of the railway line between Colne and Skipton, and therefore insists that any use of the land includes a provision that sufficient land is earmarked for the provision of a double-track railway through the site, and that any other uses in the meantime are subject to a short-term requirement to return that part of the land to the Council if it is needed for the railway.
- (3) Notes that the funfair will take place on the usual Carr Road site in 2017; requests that no disposal of the Carr Road land will take place until a suitable alternative site has been identified and agreed with the organisers of the funfair in the future; and calls on the Executive to negotiate with the organisers of the funfair with a view to increasing the number of funfairs in Nelson each year.
- (4) Requests the Executive to call a meeting with representatives of Barrowford Parish Council and Nelson Town Council to consider the future use of the land at Carr Road and to consider a report on the outcome of that meeting and any proposals made at the February Executive alongside the "call-in" discussion.

### AMENDMENT

It was moved by Councillor J. Cooney, seconded by Councillor P. White -

Notes that Pendle Leisure Trust has no further use for the land at Pendle Leisure Centre which has been used by Urban Altitude, and requests the Executive to conduct a consultation to see whether any other local organisation wishes to use it for leisure purposes; the **May** meeting of the

Executive further consider whether to declare the land surplus to requirements and any other proposals for its future use, including any proposals made in response to the consultations.

Upon being put to the vote the amendment was declared LOST.

#### AMENDMENT

It was moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor M. Iqbal -

Notes that Pendle Leisure Trust has no further use for the land at Pendle Leisure Centre which has been used by Urban Altitude, and requests the Executive to conduct a consultation to see whether any other local organisation wishes to use it for leisure purposes; the **March** meeting of the Executive further consider whether to declare the land surplus to requirements and any other proposals for its future use, including any proposals made in response to the consultations.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

#### RESOLVED

- (1) Notes that Pendle Leisure Trust has no further use for the land at Pendle Leisure Centre which has been used by Urban Altitude, and requests the Executive to conduct a consultation to see whether any other local organisation wishes to use it for leisure purposes; the **March** meeting of the Executive further consider whether to declare the land surplus to requirements and any other proposals for its future use, including any proposals made in response to the consultations.
- (2) Resolves to continue to support the reinstatement of the railway line between Colne and Skipton, and therefore insists that any use of the land includes a provision that sufficient land is earmarked for the provision of a double-track railway through the site, and that any other uses in the meantime are subject to a short-term requirement to return that part of the land to the Council if it is needed for the railway.
- (3) Notes that the funfair will take place on the usual Carr Road site in 2017; requests that no disposal of the Carr Road land will take place until a suitable alternative site has been identified and agreed with the organisers of the funfair in the future; and calls on the Executive to negotiate with the organisers of the funfair with a view to increasing the number of funfairs in Nelson each year.
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