

To: Members of the Scrutiny Management Team (Councillors Nawaz Ahmed, Wayne Blackburn, Sarah Cockburn-Price, Dorothy Lord, Nathan McCollum, Noel McEvoy, Brian Newman, Steve Petty, Ken Turner (Chairman), David Whalley and Sheila Wicks.)

Other Members of the Council for information Press/Local Radio

**NOTICE OF MEETING** 



# SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT TEAM

TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018 AT 7.00 P.M.

WILSON ROOM, NELSON TOWN HALL

(LIST OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ATTACHED)

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A MEETING OF THE

### **SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT TEAM**

will be held at

# 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at the Town Hall, Nelson

The meeting will commence with

## PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of the Committee.



Members of the public may speak on any agenda item in which they have a direct interest.

## Petitions may also be presented

You should try to make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. If you are unable to do this however, the Chairman may still allow you to speak if you turn up at the meeting.

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### AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT TEAM 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018

#### 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

In addition the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

Whipping declarations are also required.

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#### 2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To receive, for a maximum of 15 minutes, questions from members of the public on issues which do not appear on the agenda.

#### 3. MINUTES

**Enc.** To approve or otherwise the minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018.

#### 4. EXTENDED ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE

At the request of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel, the Team will receive an update on improved access to GP services in East Lancashire.

Representatives of East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group will attend the meeting.

#### 5. COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

The Council's Lead for Community Safety will report on the work of the Community Safety Partnership over the last six months.

#### 6. REVIEWS

#### (a) Monitoring the Council's paper usage

The Corporate Director reports that the voluntary pilot in the use of Microsoft Office 365 has been concluded with the participants reporting that they found it easy and convenient to use. In the light of this and also the previously reported disappointing response from individual councillors as to their willingness to receive committee papers electronically the Team is asked to consider the following next step:

That the Corporate Director be asked to organise a meeting between the Chairman and Group Spokespersons and the three Group Leaders to consider how and when the Council can move to paperless meetings with a view to a recommendation being made to the Annual Council meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> May.

#### (b) Disabled Facilities Grants

At the last meeting of the Team Members raised concern at the way in which funding for Disabled Facilities Grants is allocated to district councils and asked that representations be made to appropriate bodies for a review of the current criteria for distribution of the funding.

The Corporate Director advises that the Government has announced an independent review of the Disabled Facilities Grant which is expected to commence shortly. The review will include consideration of the current methodology for allocating the grant and the means test. Local authorities have been invited to suggest key areas which they would like the review to consider. A submission has been made by Pendle Council.

Therefore, in consultation with the Chairman, it has been agreed to delay the Team's representations, pending the outcome of the Government review.

#### 7. REVIEW MONITORING

To receive monitoring reports on the following reviews –

Enc. (a) Mental Health Care in the Community, Care Homes and Mental Health Wards

Enc. (b) Youth Engagement

#### 8. CYCLING LEGACY STRATEGY

**Enc.** To receive an update on Pendle's Cycling Legacy Strategy 2016-2021.

#### 9. HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

**Enc.** The draft minutes of a meeting of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 are submitted for information.

#### 10. EXECUTIVE WORK PROGRAMME/FORWARD PLAN

**Enc.** To consider any issues arising from the Executive Forward Plan published on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.