



MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY 5th DECEMBER, 2018

AT 7.00 p.m.

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT NELSON TOWN HALL

Minutes of all meetings held since the last Council meeting can be accessed via the Council's website www.pendle.gov.uk followed by the "Council" tab.

Members are reminded that it is now not necessary to submit amendments in writing prior to the start of the meeting. Members are however urged wherever possible to continue to do this so that the effect of amendments can be fully understood.

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PHILIP MOUSDALE, CORPORATE DIRECTOR



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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ مہربانی ہمیں بتائیوں کریں۔

A G E N D A

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Council

Enc. To approve as a correct record, or otherwise, the Minutes of

- (a) Special Council meeting; and
- (b) the Full Council meeting, both held on 25th September, 2018.

3. 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.

4. Recorded Votes

Members are reminded that in accordance with Rule 17 of the Procedure at Full Council all votes on budget issues will be recorded. This includes all motions and amendments in relation to agenda item number 9 and 12.

5. Announcements from the Mayor and Leader of the Council (if any)
6. Questions on Notice from the Public to the Leader (if any)
7. 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 (if any)
8. Report from the Leader on the work of the Policy and Resources Committee

Enc. To consider the attached report.

9. Organisational Review

At a meeting of the Restructuring Committee on 16th October, 2018 it was resolved –

“(1) That Council be recommended to agree that

- (a) the Corporate Director be allowed flexible retirement from 1st June, 2019, reducing his working week from 5 days to 3 days.
- (b) the Economic Development Team be transferred from Housing, Health and Economic Development (to be renamed ‘Housing, Health and Engineering’) to

Planning, Building Control and Licensing (with the latter being renamed 'Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services').

- (c) the number of Service Managers be reduced from 5 to 4 and in doing so agree to:
 - (i) delete the post of Neighbourhood Services Manager;
 - (ii) the allocation of functions as set out in the report;
 - (iii) delete the post of Drainage Engineer and agree to create the post of Special Projects Officer reporting directly to the Head of Housing, Health and Engineering;
 - (iv) retain the services of the North West Employers Organisation to provide advice on the salary levels for the amended job roles for the remaining Service Managers.
 - (d) Countryside Access, the Environmental Action Group and Parks Outreach be transferred to Environmental Services.
 - (e) Elliot House administration be merged with the Town Hall administration (as part of the accommodation moves).
 - (f) a number of requests for voluntary redundancy be approved together with the deletion of a number of vacant posts and a few related changes in responsibilities as detailed in the report.
- (2) No further areas of the Council's structure were identified to be considered as part of the review."

Enc. The minutes from the Restructuring Committee meeting held on 16th October, 2018 are submitted along with the report from the Chief Executive.

10. Electoral Review

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Corporate Director.

11. Electoral Integrity Pilot

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Corporate Director.

12. Income Review Phase II (2019/20 Budget Setting and Medium Term Financial Plan)

At a meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee on 23rd October, 2018 it was resolved

- "(1) That Council be recommended to approve the changes to the licence fee structure for Houses in Multiple Occupation.
- (2) That Council be recommended to approve the Mobile Homes, Charges for Residential Sites Policy."

Enc. The report considered by the Committee is attached.

13. Housing Strategy

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager.

14. Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Policy

At a meeting of the Licensing Committee on 23rd October, 2018 it was resolved “that Council be recommended to adopt the Policy.”

Enc. A copy of the report considered by the Committee is attached.

15. Street Trading – Proposed Amendments to the Council’s Policy

At a meeting of the Licensing Committee on 13th November, 2018 it was resolved “that Council be recommended to approve the new Street Trading Policy.”

Enc. A copy of the report considered by the Committee is attached.

16. Notices of Motion

(a) Barnoldswick Household Waste Recycling Centre

To be moved by Councillor M. Iqbal and seconded by

Council notes with alarm the disgraceful decision of Lancashire County Council to reduce the opening days of Barnoldswick Household Waste Recycling Centre in addition to the closure of the Colne Household Waste Recycling Centre by the previous Conservative administration which will lead to an increase in fly tipping across Pendle.

Council also notes the continuing cuts by the Conservative government to local government funding which is having a devastating effect on local services.

Council resolves to:

- (1) Seek an urgent all party meeting with the Leader of Lancashire County Council to reverse this decision.
- (2) Urge Andrew Stephenson MP to publicly speak out against the decision of Lancashire County Council and join the fight for a fair funding deal for Pendle by lobbying to reverse the savage cuts to Pendle Council since 2010.

(b) Charges for on-street parking

To be moved by Councillor D. E. Lord and seconded by Councillor D. M Whipp –

Pendle Council expresses its total opposition to the proposal to introduce on-street parking charges in Colne and Nelson, which would have a serious effect on trade in the town centres and call on Lancashire County Council to abandon this proposal forthwith.

(c) Recycling Centre

To be moved by Councillor T. Whipp and seconded by Councillor M. Adams -

Council notes Lancashire County Council proposals to close Pendle’s Household Waste Recycling Centre in Barnoldswick on two days a week and reduce opening hours to 9am to 5pm.

Council believes this will result in an increase in fly tipping and an increase in cost to the borough council for the resulting clean-up.

Council therefore resolves to request all Pendle County Councillors to oppose this proposal and instructs the Chief Executive to write to them accordingly, together with a letter of objection to the Chief Executive and Leader of Lancashire County Council.

(d) Council Housing

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves and seconded by

This Council notes the Government announcements on 3rd October 2018 and in the budget that restrictions on Council borrowing to build new Council housing are being lifted or eased.

Council further notes the problems in developing a significant programme of new building for social housing in Pendle to cater for identified needs.

Council therefore resolves to consider the desirability and practicalities of building new Council housing in the Borough to complement existing and new provision by housing associations.

It therefore resolves to set up an all-party scrutiny task group to investigate this question, to report back to the Policy and Resources Committee and to the Council

- (a) with an interim report within four months with recommendations on whether to pursue the matter further; and
- (b) (subject to a decision to go ahead) within nine months on a proposed scheme or options.

(e) The Colne Line

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves and seconded by

Pendle Council notes the problems, including both severe inconveniences for all passengers and alarm and distress for vulnerable persons, when trains from Preston are terminated (often without notice) at Burnley Central or further back down the line, instead of continuing to Brierfield, Nelson and Colne leaving passengers to provide themselves with onward travel.

It notes that this has frequently happened into the evening and late at night and continues to do so, placing vulnerable passengers in an unacceptable and potentially dangerous situation.

It resolves to demand that Arriva Northern Rail take responsibility for providing transport for passengers to their destination; that staff are on hand at the station where the train terminates to provide help, assistance and security; and to request the Government (which is responsible for supervising the Northern franchise) to insist that these things are done.

It further resolves to seek a meeting with the senior management of Arriva Northern Rail to discuss this and the other problems affecting services on the Colne line and in particular services to and from Brierfield, Nelson and Colne.