



MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 26th MARCH, 2019

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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AGENDA

1. Apologies

2. 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.

3. Minutes of Council

Enc. To approve as a correct record, or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th December, 2018 and the Special Budget Council meeting held on 26th February, 2019.

4. Announcements from the Mayor and Leader of the Council (if any)

5. Mayoralty

(a) To consider the Mayoralty for 2019/20.

(b) To consider the Deputy Mayoralty for 2019/20.

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 by the Leader on the Work of the Policy and Resources Committee

Enc. A report of the Leader On the work of the Executive since the last Council meeting is attached.

9. Electoral Review – Submission to the Boundary Commission on a New Warding Pattern

To consider the report from the Corporate Director. **REPORT TO FOLLOW**

10. Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2019/20

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Chief Executive.

This report is to be considered by the Policy and Resources Committee on 19th March – the resolution from this Committee will be reported at the meeting.

11. Pendle's Sport and Leisure Strategy

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Chief Executive.

12. Pay Policy Statement 2019

Enc. To consider the attached Pay Policy Statement for 2019.

13. Member Champions

To receive updates from the following Member Champions:

Enc. Armed Forces Champion	Councillor Neil Butterworth
Enc. Cycling Champion	Councillor Nawaz Ahmed
Enc. Dementia Champion	Councillor David Whalley
Disability and Mental Health Champion	Councillor Wayne Blackburn
Every Child Matters	Councillor Dorothy Lord
Loneliness Champion	Councillor Paul White
Older People's Champion	Councillor Pauline McCormick
Young People's Champion	Councillor Nathan McCollum

14. Notices of Motion

(a) Butts Clinic, Barnoldswick

To be moved by Councillor T. Whipp, seconded by Councillor K. Hartley –

Council notes that health care services are being withdrawn from Butts Clinic with patients to travel elsewhere to access clinics previously held at Butts.

Council further notes that there has been no progress whatsoever towards providing a full health centre in Barnoldswick and access to all health care facilities remains woefully inadequate.

Council resolves to request an urgent meeting with the East Lancs Clinical Commissioning Group and health care providers to discuss the continued running down of services in Barnoldswick.

(b) Council Tax and Local Government Funding

To be moved by Councillor D. M. Whipp, seconded by Councillor

Council notes the continued increase in Council Tax which outstrips inflation and has seen Band D Council Tax levels break through the £2,000 barrier in both Colne and Earby this year.

Council recognises that the primary cause of these increases is the loss of government funding which has affected residents in Pendle particularly badly.

Council also notes the so-called fair funding review of local government which is likely to lead to an even greater loss of resources to our local area.

Council believes that Council Tax is fundamentally unfair and bears most heavily on people least able to afford repeated above inflation increases.

Therefore, this Council resolves to request Government to introduce truly fair funding for local councils based upon people's ability to pay and that relatively poor areas are no longer penalised in favour of more affluent areas.

(c) Housing Sites in Colne

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor D. E. Lord –

Pendle Council recognises that it will not be able to meet its required housing targets for the Borough or for Colne without using unacceptable amounts of greenfield land in unacceptable locations, unless it is able to use the large genuinely brownfield former mill sites in the South Valley for housing purposes. It therefore requires that urgent discussions are sought to this end with the owners of these sites.

(d) Colne-Skipton Rail Link

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves, seconded by Councillor D. M. Whipp –

Pendle Council expresses its concern that the outcome of the Steer Group feasibility study into the Northern Link Project, including the reinstatement of the railway line between Colne and Skipton and a regular through passenger service between West Yorkshire cities and East Lancashire, did not result in the progression of the scheme from the “Determine” Stage 1 of the Rail National Enhancements Pipeline to the “Develop” Stage 2, as had been expected when the study was set up over a year ago.

Council therefore urges the Government to decide upon the scope and timetable of the further Stage 1 feasibility study announced by the Secretary of State Chris Grayling and to commission the work, as a matter of urgency and priority.

(e) Drug Problems in Pendle

To be moved by Councillor D. E. Lord, seconded by Councillor

Pendle Council expresses its strong concern at the continuing and increasing evidence of drug-taking in public places in Pendle and with the public health aspects of drug-taking and resolves to set up a Scrutiny Working Group to consider, take evidence and produce recommendations for dealing with this problem.