

### MEETING OF THE

# ANNUAL COUNCIL

## TO BE HELD ON

## THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2019

## AT 7.00 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT NELSON **TOWN HALL**

(For further information please contact Jane Watson on telephone 661648)

PHILIP MOUSDALE CORPORATE DIRECTOR

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#### AGENDA

#### 1. Election of Mayor of the Borough

Mover Seconder	: Councillor D. M. Whipp : Councillor M. Iqbal
Supported by	: Councillor M. Goulthorp
MOTION:	That Councillor Ken Hartley be hereby elected Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2019/20.

Councillor Ken Hartley to make the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as required by law.

Councillor James Keith Starkie to vacate the Chair in favour of the Mayor.

Speech by His Worship the Mayor.

#### 2. Minutes

Mover	: Councillor
Seconder	: His Worship the Mayor

**Enc. MOTION:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 copies having been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

#### 3. Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor

Mover	: Councillor C. Wakeford
Seconder	: Councillor B. Newman
Supported by	: Councillor A. Mahmood

MOTION: That the best thanks of the Council be hereby tendered to Councillor James Keith Starkie and Mrs. Janet Starkie for their services as Mayor and Mayoress during their term of office.

His Worship the Mayor will present commemorative badges of office to Councillor James Keith Starkie and Mrs. Janet Starkie.

Speech by the retiring Mayor.

#### 4. Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Mover	: Councillor J. Nixon
Seconder	: Councillor G. Adam
Supported by	: Councillor M. Adams

**MOTION:** That Councillor Neil Butterworth be hereby appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2019/20.

Councillor Neil Butterworth to make the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as required by law.

Speech by the Deputy Mayor.

#### 5. Mayor's Allowance

Mover	: Councillor
Seconder	: Councillor

**MOTION:** That an allowance of £5,130 be paid to the Mayor for the purpose of enabling him to meet the expenses of the office and that such allowance be paid to the credit of the Mayor at the Council's Bankers and any credit balance remaining at the date of the next Annual Meeting of the Council be re-appropriated to the Council's Account.

#### 6. Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain

The Mayor to report that he has appointed Reverend Sheena McCain to the office of Mayor's Chaplain for the Municipal Year 2019/20 and to duly signify such appointment to the Council.

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#### 7. 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.

#### 8. Appointment of Leader and Deputy Leader

Under the new Constitution Council will appoint a Leader and Deputy Leader, both until the next Annual Council meeting in 2020.

#### 9. Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 – Political Balance Rules

Whenever the allocation of seats on Committees is reviewed the Council is required to apply the statutory political balance rules.

The rules apply to the Policy and Resources Committee, Licensing Committee, the Accounts and Audit Committee, Employment Appeals Committee and Standards Hearing Committee. They do not apply to the Area Committees.

Enc. Attached is a note on the review.

#### 10. Appointment to Committees

To consider the appointment of Members to Committees for the Municipal Year 2019/20. The list is a reflection of the Committees the Council current appoints, together with numbers currently on them:

- (a) Policy and Resources Committee a politically balanced Committee of 13 Members
- (b) Accounts and Audit Committee a politically balanced Committee of 5 Members
- (c) Licensing Committee a politically balanced Committee of 11 Members
- (d) Employment Appeals Committee a politically balanced Committee of 3 Members
- (e) Standards Hearing Committee a politically balanced Committee of 5 Members
- (f) Area Committees
  - **Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee** (Comprising Members from the Borough Wards of Barrowford, Blacko and Higherford, Higham and Pendleside and Old Laund Booth)
  - Brierfield and Reedley Committee (Comprising Members from the Borough Wards of Brierfield and Reedley
  - **Colne and District Committee** (Comprising Members from the Borough Wards of Boulsworth, Foulridge, Horsfield, Vivary Bridge and Waterside)
  - **Nelson Committee** (Comprising Members from the Borough Wards of Bradley, Clover Hill, Marsden, Southfield, Walverden and Whitefield)
  - West Craven Committee (Comprising Members from the Borough Wards of Coates, Craven and Earby)

Together with such co-optees the Committee feels is appropriate.

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(g) It has been suggested that the **Taxi Licensing Sub-Committee** (a Sub-Committee of the Licensing Committee) be appointed based on 9 Members. This would work out as:

Con 4.2 (4) Labour 2.9 (3) Lib Dem 1.8 (2)

#### 11. Appointment of Chairmen of Committees

To appoint Chairmen of the following Committees:

- (a) Policy and Resources Committee
- (b) Accounts and Audit Committee
- (c) Licensing Committee
- (d) Senior Management Appointments Committee
- (e) Employment Appeals Committee
- (f) Standards Hearing Committee
- (g) Restructuring Committee

#### 12. Dates and Times of Council Meetings for 2019/20

Mover	: His Worship the Mayor
Seconder	: The Deputy Mayor

#### **MOTION:**

(1) That meetings of the Full Council be held on the following dates:

9<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 (Special Budget) 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 (Annual Council)

Enc. (2) That the dates of other meetings set out on the attached schedule be approved.

#### 13. Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies

#### (a) Appointment to Organisations/Associations

- Mover : Councillor
- Seconder : Councillor
- **Enc. MOTION:** That the persons set out in the schedule, previously circulated to members, be appointed or nominated as this Council's representatives on the bodies specified to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 or such other dates as are indicated.

### N.B. The appointment of representatives to those outside bodies which are required to be made by the Area Committees are not included in this list.

#### (b) Member Champions

To consider nominations for the following:

#### **Member Champion**

Armed Forces Cycling Dementia Disability and Mental Health Every Child Matters Loneliness Older People Young People

#### 2018/19 Member Champion

Councillor Neil Butterworth Councillor Nawaz Ahmed Councillor David Whalley Councillor Wayne Blackburn Councillor Dorothy Lord Councillor Paul White Councillor Pauline McCormick Councillor Nathan McCollum

#### 14. NOTICES OF MOTION

#### (a) District Enforcement Limited

To be moved by Councillor D. M. Whipp and seconded by Councillor D. Clegg -

Pendle Council notes the commencement of the contract for District Enforcement Limited to issue Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for littering and dog fouling has led to well over a thousand fines being issued worth scores of thousands of pounds. And that the vast majority of FPNs have been related to cigarettes rather than more significant street litter with fines for dog fouling representing an extremely small proportion of the total.

Council also notes that there have been reports of FPNs being issued to vulnerable people and in in appropriate circumstances and that there has been no discernible impact on the level of littering on Pendle's streets and public spaces since the contract commenced.

Council therefore resolves that an urgent review of the litter enforcement contract is carried out with a view to making it more effective in tackling the real issues of littering and dog fouling, or terminating the contract at the earliest opportunity – and that the Policy and Resources Committee considers the issue as soon as possible.

#### (b) Standing Orders

In order to consider the next item Council would need to suspend Standing Order 16.1 to recind a previous decision. A decision on the motion below (2) was made at the Full Council meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> March,2019.

#### (c) New Warding Pattern

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves and seconded by Councillor D. M. Whipp -

Pendle Council resolves to immediately inform the Local Government Boundary Commission:

- (1) That the recommendation on new ward boundaries in line with Appendix 2 of Minute 84 "Electoral Review – Submission to the Boundary Commission on a New Warding Pattern" of the meeting of the Council on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 be rescinded.
- (2) The recommendation of the Council is now the recommendation of the all-party Working Group as set out in Appendix 1 of the minutes of that meeting.
- (3) Council request the Local Government Boundary Commission to accept this late change in view of the changes following the elections which took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2019.