



MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER, 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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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ مہربانی ہمیں بتائیے۔

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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 Council meeting on September, 2019.

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 14.

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

6. Questions on Notice from the Public to the Leader

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

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 Policy and Resources Committee since the last Council meeting is attached.

9. Post of Chief Financial Officer and s151 Officer

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

10. Council Tax Base 2020/21

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Chief Financial Officer.

11. Electoral Review and Review of Polling Places and Polling Districts

The Local Government Boundary Commission's final recommendations on new wards are due to be published on 17th December, having been delayed from 3rd December. This was a result of the calling of the General Election and Central Government purdah. Details of the new wards will be circulated at the meeting.

The Council at its meeting on 26th September noted that the Council is required to undertake a review of polling places and polling districts to become effective from the end of January, 2020. A public consultation exercise has been undertaken but it has not been possible to complete the review because of the delayed publication of the new wards. In the circumstances the Council is **RECOMMENDED** to delegate authority to the all-party Governance Working Group to approve the completed review.

12. Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Planning, Economic Development and Regulatory Services Manager.

13. Scrutiny Working Group on Drug Problems in Pendle

Enc. Minutes of a meeting of the Scrutiny Working Group on Drug Problems in Pendle held on 16th July, 2019 are attached with **4 recommendations** for consideration.

14. Disabled Facilities Grants

At a meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee on 21st November, 2019 it was resolved “that Council be recommended to approve a £25,000 discretionary grant from within the existing DFG fund for the remainder of the current financial year to provide additional funding for mandatory grants over £30,000.”

Enc. The report considered by the Committee is attached for information.

15. Notices of Motion

(a) Fireworks

To be moved by Councillor ? and seconded by Councillor ? –

This Council resolves:

- To require all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people;
- To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks;
- To write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90db for those sold to the public for private displays;
- To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock ‘quieter’ fireworks for public display.

(b) Pendle’s Member of Parliament

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

Council notes the result of the Pendle Parliamentary election and resolves to request a meeting as soon as possible with Pendle’s Member of Parliament to discuss the urgent issues facing residents of the Borough and how the MP and Pendle Council can take effective action together to address these problems.

(c) Pennine Lancashire Unitary Authority

To be moved by Councillor T. Whipp and seconded by Councillor B. Newman –

Council notes the proposal for a Pennine Lancashire Unitary Authority put forward by Blackburn with Darwen Unitary Authority and the alternative put forward by the Leader of Lancashire County Council requesting that any unitary proposals cover the whole of the county council's area.

Council reaffirms its opposition to the creation of any such massive and remote structures; believing that local issues are best determined at a local level and that the government has far more urgent issues than shuffling the deckchairs and instructs the Chief Executive to write accordingly to the relevant government minister.