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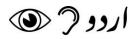
THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER, 2020 AT 7.00 p.m.

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AGENDA

1. <u>Apologies</u>

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. <u>Minutes of Council</u>
- **Enc.** To approve as a correct record, or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th September, 2020.
- 4. <u>Announcements from the Mayor and Leader of the Council</u> (If any)
- 5. <u>Questions on Notice from the Public to the Leader</u> (If any)
- 6. <u>Questions on Notice by Members to the Leader, a Committee Chairman or a Representative</u> on an Outside Body on Matters not otherwise on the Agenda (If any)
- 7. <u>Report by the Leader on the Work of the Policy and Resources Committee</u>
- **Enc.** A report by the Leader on the Work of the Policy and Resources Committee since the last Council meeting is attached.
- 8. <u>Treasury Management Strategy Statement</u>

To consider the attached report from the Chief Executive. **TO FOLLOW**

9. <u>Budget Proposals</u>

(a) Income Review – New Fees

At a meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee on 28th October, 2020 it was resolved "that Council be recommended to approve the new licence fees for new tenancy agreements in relation to garage/caravan plots on Clayton Street Industrial Estate, Nelson."

It is proposed that a charge of £45 plus VAT per new tenancy is introduced.

(b) Savings on Staffing 2021/22

At a meeting of the Budget Working Group on it was agreed "that Council be recommended to approve the savings arising from the deletion of four posts from the Council's staffing establishment with effect from April, 2021. This amounts to savings of £118,050.

10. Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

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

11. Licensing Statement of Principles

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

12. <u>Notices of Motion</u>

(a) Covid 19

To be moved by Councillor G. Waugh and seconded by Councillor N. Ahmed -

Pendle Council thanks all residents for all they have done to comply with the COVID-19 local rules, both in Tier 3 and during our second lockdown. Our infection rate has been slowly reducing. Even with the Festive Season approaching, advice from our scientists and doctors is clear, reducing close contact with people from outside your household and this will reduce the transmission rates.

The Council resolves to request that:

All residents to continue to abide by the Government's guidance on social distancing, mixing with other households and safety guidance at work. The public's continued co-operation in following this advice reduces the risk for the benefit of us all and will avoid future, economically damaging lockdowns.

(b) Lancashire County Council – Road/Pavement Repairs

To be moved by Councillor Jonathan Nixon and seconded by Councillor M. Goulthorp -

This Council extends the remit of a resolution of the Policy and Resources Committee, where it was agreed:

"That the Leader of the Council draft a letter, to be agreed by and sent on behalf of all parties, to the Portfolio Holder for Highways at Lancashire County Council seeking a meeting to discuss the possibility of this Council being given responsibility for road and pavement repairs with an appropriate funding allocation."

This Council resolves to include gullies and culverts in this negotiation with Lancashire County Council as well as roads and pavements.

(c) Covid 19

To be moved by Councillor D. Whipp and seconded by Councillor D. Lord -

Council notes with considerable concern that recent weeks have seen an alarming number of deaths among residents of Pendle from Covid 19 despite people in the Borough now being subject to the fifth month of restrictions. And, that the level of restrictions is increasing at a time when the level of infections in Pendle is reducing.

Council also notes that the Government has failed to implement the improvements in Test and Trace, effective support for people required to self-isolate and other measures as requested by the resolution of Council on 24th September, but that national government continues to rely on belated, broad brush measures of population control which are increasingly damaging to the overall health and livelihoods of local residents. And that the support for individuals and businesses affected by these sweeping restrictions is woefully inadequate.

Council welcomes the prospect of vaccines possibly leading to an exit from the epidemic, but notes that the immunisation programme will take many months to complete.

Accordingly, Council resolves the following:

- (1) To reaffirm the resolutions relating to Covid 19 agreed on 24th September, 2020.
- (2) To reiterate to Government the need for effective Test, Trace, Isolate and Support in order to contain the virus and remove the need for sweeping restrictions on individual liberties and restrictions of business.
- (3) To request Government to provide adequate support to individuals and businesses affected by the current regimes.
- (4) And, instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Prime Minister, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Pendle's Member of Parliament requesting implementation of these proposals without further delay.

(d) The Climate Ecology Bill

To be moved by Councillor A. R. Greaves and seconded by Councillor Y. Tennant -

Pendle Council notes the work that is taking place, following its declaration of a local climate emergency, through the Climate Emergency Working Group and elsewhere and thanks the staff who are involved in this work in these difficult times.

Council notes that a cross-party Private Members Bill – the Climate and Ecology Bill – will shortly have its Second Reading in the House of Commons and that it has wide support throughout the country.

Council further supports the principles and objectives of this Bill and calls on the House of Commons to give it a Second Reading and on the Government to provide sufficient parliamentary time for it to be thoroughly scrutinised and to progress through both Houses of Parliament.

(e) Fireworks

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

Pendle Council notes that nuisances caused by the inappropriate use of fireworks continue to result in complaints from residents.

It notes the report to the Policy and Resources Committee of 12th February, 2019 and the resolution of the Council of 17th December, 2020 and considers that the matter should be looked at again in the light of statements by the Government that further controls over the use of fireworks were a matter for local decision-making.