

## MEETING OF THE

# COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

# THURSDAY 24th MARCH, 2022

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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#### 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

- (a) the Council meeting held on 9th December, 2021
- (b) the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2022; and
- (c) the Special Budget Council meeting held on 24th February, 2022
- 4. Announcements from the Mayor and Leader of the Council (if any)
- 5. Questions on Notice from the Public to the Leader (if any)
- 6. 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)
- 7. 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.

#### 8. Mayoralty

Council are advised that the Deputy Mayor for 2022/23 is to be selected from the Liberal Democrat Group.

9. Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2022/23

**Enc.** To consider the attached report from the Chief Finance Officer.

#### 10. Pay Policy Statement 2022

**Enc.** To consider the attached Pay Policy Statement for 2022.

#### 11. Review of the Council's Contaminated Land Strategy 2022-2027

**Enc.** To consider the attached report from the Housing, Health and Engineering Services Manager.

This report is to be considered by the Policy and Resources Committee on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2022. The recommendation from the Committee will be reported at the meeting.

#### 12. <u>Ukraine Update</u>

To receive, for information, the attached report from the Chief Executive.

#### **TO FOLLOW**

#### 13. Notices of Motion

#### (a) Ukraine

To be moved by Councillor Y. Igbal and seconded by Councillor -

#### Council notes:

- (1) The crisis in Ukraine which has led to many innocent lives being lost as a result of attacks by the Russian regime.
- (2) Condemns all attacks against innocent civilians in Ukraine, Palestine, Kashmir and other areas of the world.
- (3) The role of Pendle residents in humanitarian efforts.

#### Council resolves:

- (1) To write to HM Government to play an increased role to end all conflicts across the world and adopt a fair and level foreign policy approach.
- (2) To stand in unit with fellow humans caught up in conflicts.

#### (b) Ukraine

To be moved by Councillor Nadeem Ahmed and seconded by Councillor K. McGladdery -

#### The Council notes:

The horrific invasion of Ukraine by Russia and the brutality and suffering that it has unleashed. We are proud to be elected representatives of one of this country's democratic institutions. This aggressive assault on a European state that has been building similar democratic institutions over a generation threatens our common values, so we stand in solidarity with all those in Ukraine who are defending both their country and their freedoms.

#### The Council proposes:

As a sign of our support and commitment to the Ukrainian people, that the Ukrainian flag is raised over Nelson Town Hall.

In addition, we propose a range of pragmatic and practical steps including:

- Urgently review the Council's commissioning activity and our own supply chain to
  ensure that there is no exposure to Russian interests that could in any way help finance
  President Putin's regime and its aggressive policies.
- In recognition of the fact the current crisis exacerbates a number of the risks that we face as an organisation, review our position regarding our cyber security around our systems and communications
- Ask LCC to consider the Local Government Pension Scheme's exposure to Russian assets and, where it is possible, to divest those holdings
- Continue to monitor the current situation as it evolves, so that the Council can stand ready to support a multi-agency response across the borough regarding the crisis and the likely influx of Ukrainian refugees
- Make contact with Pendle's Ukrainian residents and ask them if we can offer their families practical help