



MEETING OF THE  
**COUNCIL**  
TO BE HELD ON  
**THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024**  
AT 7.00 p.m.

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT NELSON TOWN HALL**

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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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آپ کے لئے زیادہ مفید ہو تو براہ مہربانی ہمیں بتائیے۔

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## A G E N D A

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 Annual Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

4. Councillor Aslam

**Enc.** The attached apology from Councillor Aslam is submitted for information.

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

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 Executive

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

9. Interim Auditor's Annual Report 2021/22 and 2023/24

**Enc.** To consider the attached report and receive a presentation from Georgia Jones from Grant Thornton.

10. Corporate Plan Refresh 2023/24

**Enc.** To consider the attached refresh of the Corporate Plan following and to consider the recommendations from the Executive at its meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024:

“That Council be recommended to agree the Corporate Plan Refresh 2023/24 subject to the addition/amendment of the following:

#### **Priority 1**

- **Continuous Improvement**  
Implement actions from the enforcement review – amend “to consider” instead of implement.
- **Governance**  
Implement the actions from the Best Value review by external audit – amend “to consider” instead of implement.
- **Waste and Recycling**  
Add reference to securing funding from LCC in relation to the management of waste materials and domestic weekly food waste collections.

#### **Priority 2**

- **Climate Emergency**  
Continue to deliver electric vehicle charging schemes. This initiative had not been implemented so the wording needed to reflect this.
- **Community Safety**  
Relaunch of the Domestic Abuse Forum – amend to make it clear working with partners.
- **Bereavement Services**  
Add “review of cemetery services with a view to making them financially viable.”
- **Community Cohesion**  
To include better links and provision for community cohesion in the Borough.

#### **Priority 3**

- UK Shared Prosperity Fund  
Add “Earby” to the first bullet point.  
Add “to plan further phases.”  
Add “to seek funding support from the County Deal for continued work.”
- **Development Control** (add)  
Add a priority that says “develop systems to comply with the new arrangements to ensure timely decisions.”

#### **Priority 4**

- **Indoor Leisure Review**  
Add “complete phase one of the refurbishment programme currently underway.”  
Add “plan/implement energy saving schemes.”  
Add “review operational management of the leisure centres.”
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Add “seek to encourage health providers to deliver a health centre in Barnoldswick.””

#### 11. Constitution

**Enc.** To consider the attached Executive/Overview and Scrutiny protocol for inclusion in the Council’s Constitution.

#### 12. Overview and Scrutiny Committee

To consider nominations for two vice-chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (one each from the Conservative and Independent Groups).

13. Notices of Motion

**(a) New Government**

To be moved by Councillor D. Whipp, and seconded by Councillor D. Lord –

Council notes the result of the General Election and election of MPs for the two new seats covering Pendle.

Council further notes the continuing impact of austerity on residents in Pendle, with further cuts in services required to produce a balanced budget for future years.

This Council therefore resolves to:

- (1) Invite the MPs for Pendle and Clitheroe and Burnley constituencies to an early meeting with the council to discuss issues affecting our borough.
- (2) Request the Prime Minister and relevant secretaries of state to provide a fair funding settlement for local councils that adequately addresses the level of need, and that the two MPs for the borough be asked to support this request as vigorously as possible.