



## TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Tuesday, 17 January 2017

Trafford Town Hall  
Talbot Road  
Stretford  
M32 0TH

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council of the Borough of Trafford on **WEDNESDAY, 25 JANUARY 2017, at 7.00 P.M.** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, TRAFFORD TOWN HALL, TALBOT ROAD, STRETFORD**, for the transaction of the business set out below:

**NOTE: PRESENTATION FOR MEMBERS OF COUNCIL - 6.15 P.M.**  
**IMPROVING HEALTHY LIFE EXPECTANCY: A CALL TO ACTION**

Prior to Council, all Members of Council are invited to attend at 6.15 p.m. in the Council Chamber to receive a presentation from Trafford's Public Health Team focusing on the role of local Councillors as advocates for their constituents' health and wellbeing.

The Interim Director of Public Health, Eleanor Roaf, will describe the health issues currently facing Trafford, share new intelligence that demonstrates health need and poorer performance across and between communities, and giving examples of how these can be addressed.

Trafford's focus on healthy life expectancy, the importance of the five public health priorities, and how Councillors can support improvements in outcomes will be discussed.

Tea and Coffee making facilities will be available in the Members' Room.

	<b>Pages</b>
<b>1. Minutes</b>	
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the following meetings for signature by the Mayor as Chairman:	
(a) Meeting of the Council held on 30 November 2016; and	1 - 12
(b) Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on 21 December 2016.	13 - 16

**2. Announcements**

To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader of the Council, Members of the Executive, Chairmen of Scrutiny Committees and the Head of Paid Service.

**3. Questions By Members**

This is an opportunity for Members of Council to ask the Mayor, Members of the Executive or the Chairman of any Committee or Sub-Committee a question on notice under Procedure Rule 10.2.

**4. Membership of Committees**

To consider a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services. 17 - 20

**5. Extension of Six Month Attendance Rule**

To consider a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services. 21 - 22

**6. Council Tax Support Scheme for 2017/18 - Proposed Changes to Align with National Benefits**

To consider a joint report of the Executive Member for Finance and the Chief Finance Officer, as recommended by the Executive on 19 December 2016. 23 - 38

**7. 6-month Corporate Report on Health and Safety - 1 April to 30 September 2016**

To consider a report of the Corporate Director Transformation and Resources. 39 - 52

**8. Motions**

To consider the following motions submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 11:

**(a) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Education Funding**

The Government's long awaited announcement of its national funding formula is worse for Trafford than predicted, given that we were already one of the lowest funded authorities in the country. We are now predicted to lose a further £8 million from schools funding.

Council is referred to the motion submitted by the Conservative Group in September last year in which it was agreed to write to the Government calling upon them to bring forward more quickly the commitment as stated in the Conservative Party manifesto to ensure

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fairer funding for schools. Sadly this appears to have been ignored, and what we have now is definitely not fairer funding for schools.

Council calls upon the Government to urgently correct this injustice. Of particular concern is the reduction in school budgets for primary schools in deprived areas and the reduction in budgets for all of our secondary schools - all at a time when schools are being asked to take on extra costs. Indeed, the recent announcement of the new school funding arrangements has even driven Conservative MPs to call the cuts unfair and shocking.

Council further recognises that no funding system for schools is fair unless funding levels are sufficient. The National Audit Office has already forecast an 8.5% cut across the board which will have terrible consequences for the quality of education being offered to our children.

Council therefore calls upon the Secretary of State for Education to insist that our schools are funded to a level where they can operate efficiently: Trafford parents, children and young people deserve no less.

**(b) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Greater Manchester Health Devolution**

This Council recognises the opportunities offered by devolution to Greater Manchester in terms of transport, housing, skills and health as well as in several other areas. However, Council also recognises that for DevoManc to be a success the project must be properly funded.

Council is therefore concerned by the continued underfunding of Greater Manchester's health and social care services. The British Medical Journal has stated that by 2021 the conurbation will have a health funding gap of some £2 billion, yet Greater Manchester has some of the worst health outcomes and most significant health inequalities in the country. Funding secured from NHS England's Transformation Fund is welcome but not been substantial enough to alleviate concerns.

In light of these issues, this Council calls upon the Leader of the Council to write to the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government highlighting that current health and social care funding in Greater Manchester is unsustainable and calling for a funding settlement for Greater Manchester's health and social care needs that addresses the £2 billion shortfall identified by health professionals.

**(c) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) Campaign**

The Council calls upon the Government to reconsider transitional arrangements for women born on or after 6 April 1951, so that women do not live in hardship due to pension changes they were not told about until it was too late to make alternative arrangements.

The Council calls upon the Government to make fair transitional state pension arrangements for all women born on or after 6 April 1951, who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA) with lack of appropriate notification. Hundreds of thousands of women had significant pension changes imposed on them by the Pensions Acts of 1995 and 2011 with little/no/personal notification of the changes. Some women had only two years notice of a six-year increase to their state pension age.

Many women born in the 1950's are living in hardship. Retirement plans have been shattered with devastating consequences. Many of these women are already out of the labour market, caring for elderly relatives, providing childcare for grandchildren, or suffer discrimination in the workplace so struggle to find employment. Women born in this decade are suffering financially. These women have worked hard, raised families and paid their tax and national insurance with the expectation that they would be financially secure when reaching 60. It is not the pension age itself that is in dispute - it is widely accepted that women and men should retire at the same time. The issue is that the rise in the women's state pension age has been too rapid and has happened without sufficient notice being given to the women affected, leaving women with no time to make alternative arrangements.

**(d) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Protecting Children from Alcohol Advertising**

This Council notes:

- That alcohol can be enjoyed in a responsible way by adults;
- That alcohol can cause serious and fatal diseases, including several types of cancers; that the UK Chief Medical Officers' Alcohol Guidelines advise both men and women that it is safest not to drink regularly more than fourteen units per week, to keep health risks from drinking alcohol to a low level;
- That there are over 5000 alcohol-related hospital admissions every year in Trafford;
- That alcohol can only legally be purchased by adults over the age of 18;
- That the advertising of alcohol is designed to make products more appealing and in turn can appeal to children and young people;

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- That the Science Committee of the European Alcohol and Health Forum concluded in 2009 that 'alcohol marketing increases the likelihood that adolescents will start to use alcohol, and to drink more if they are already using alcohol';
- That underage drinkers are more likely to be a victim of crime and those who get drunk at least once a month are twice as likely to commit a criminal offence as those who don't;
- That the recent Healthier Futures/Alcohol Health Alliance public opinion survey found 73% support in Greater Manchester for a 9 p.m. watershed for alcohol adverts on TV;
- That the recent public engagement campaign 'See What Sam Sees' by Healthier Futures, talked with over two hundred people across Greater Manchester and received overwhelming support for a 9 p.m. watershed from the Greater Manchester public.

This Council believes:

- That it is the responsibility of all levels of government to try to ensure good public health in the population.

This Council resolves:

- To request the Leader of the Council to write to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, expressing these views and asking her to bring forward legislation to introduce a 9pm watershed for the advertising of alcohol products on TV to protect children and young people from the influence of alcohol advertising;
- To continue to promote good health in our borough, to support the UK Chief Medical Officers' Alcohol Guidelines, and to protect children and adults from alcohol-related harm.

Yours sincerely,



**THERESA GRANT**  
Chief Executive

## Council - Wednesday, 25 January 2017

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### Membership of the Council

Councillors J. Lloyd (Mayor), J. Coupe (Deputy Mayor), D. Acton, S. Adshead, S.B. Anstee, S.K. Anstee, Dr. K. Barclay, J. Baugh, J. Bennett, Miss L. Blackburn, R. Bowker, C. Boyes, Mrs. A. Bruer-Morris, Mrs. J.E. Brophy, B. Brotherton, D. Bunting, D. Butt, K. Carter, M. Cawdrey, R. Chilton, M. Cordingley, M. Cornes, L. Dagnall, Mrs. P. Dixon, A. Duffield, Mrs. L. Evans, N. Evans, T. Fishwick, M. Freeman, P. Gratrix, Mrs. D.L. Haddad, J. Harding, J. Holden, D. Hopps, M. Hyman, C. Hynes, D. Jarman, P. Lally, J. Lamb, E. Malik, A. Mitchell, P. Myers, D. O'Sullivan, K. Procter, J.R. Reilly, Mrs J. Reilly, B. Rigby, T. Ross, M. Sephton, B. Sharp, B. Shaw, J. Smith, E.W. Stennett, S. Taylor, L. Walsh, Mrs. V. Ward, A. Western, D. Western, M. Whetton, A. Williams, J.A. Wright, M. Young and Mrs. P. Young

### Further Information

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