



# TRAFFORD COUNCIL

4 November 2014

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, 12 NOVEMBER 2014, at 7.00 P.M.** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, TRAFFORD TOWN HALL, TALBOT ROAD, STRETFORD**, for the transaction of the business set out below:

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| <b>1. Minutes</b>  |              |
| To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 17 September 2014 for signature by the Mayor as Chairman.   | 1 - 12       |
| <b>2. Announcements</b>  |              |
| 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.                                |              |
| <b>3. Questions By Members</b>   |              |
| 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. |              |
| <b>4. Designation of Statutory Scrutiny Officer and Deputy Monitoring Officer</b>  |              |
| To consider a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services.   | 13 - 14      |
| <b>5. Polling District and Polling Places Review</b>   |              |
| To consider a report of the Chief Executive.   | 15 - 52      |

**6. Motions**

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

**(a) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Fracking**

To reconsider the following Motion adjourned at the meeting held on 16 July 2014:

This Council opposes changes to the trespass laws in the Queens speech which will allow companies involved in fracking, which pumps water and chemicals in to shale rock deep underground to release methane gas, to drill under homes without needing permission.

These laws hastily changed at the same time as a recent poll showed 75% public are opposed to fracking.

Public concerns raised include risk of earth tremors, contamination of ground and surface water, release of greenhouse gases and noise pollution for residents living in the vicinity. All these are genuine concerns, whilst at the same time it is recognised that the most optimistic forecast suggest that shale drilling could meet no more than 10% of European gas demand by 2030. The fact is that any long term damage to our environment would be irreversible, as we see now in America with hundreds of abandoned wells.

We strongly believe we should be listening to the views of local people and the evidence in relation to health and safety and that our duty as a council is to protect the health and wellbeing of our residents and oppose fracking and coal bed extraction of methane gas in Trafford.

**(b) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Motor Neurone Disease Charter**

The Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Association has recently launched a Charter to gain support for individuals with MND to work towards their vision of the right care, in the right time and at the right place for those with MND and their carers.

Having examined the Charter it is proposed that this Council signs up to the Charter to show we understand the principals involved and support them.

**(c) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Stamford Brook**

This Council notes the emergence and subsequent rapid growth of the Stamford Brook area in recent years. Sustainable developments such as Stamford Brook are key to providing the family homes that we need to meet increased demand over the next few years. However, it is imperative that such family-orientated developments are properly integrated in to the local community and that the safety of residents is paramount. Traffic management and road safety play a key part in ensuring this.

Trafford Council understands the growing concern of Stamford Brook residents, the Stamford Brook Residents Association and local councillors about speeding, highway maintenance and crime in the area. To this end the Authority resolves to:

- Implement traffic calming measures on Turnbull Road and Stamford Brook Road to reduce the speed of motorists utilising Turnbull Road as an alternative route from the A56 to Sinderland Road;
- Provide a safe crossing point on Turnbull Road near to the junction with Rosefinch Road, accepting that this road must be successfully traversed by any child walking from Stamford Brook to Broadheath Primary School;
- Prioritise the adoption of all outstanding roads in the Stamford Brook area, thereby ensuring that streetlights will be maintained by the Council;
- Increase public safety and provide a deterrent to criminals who have targeted the area for burglaries in recent months;
- Consult with residents with a view to introducing a 20mph speed limit on residential roads in the Stamford Brook area, in recognition of the fact that this is primarily a family development inhabited by a large number of young families with children.

**(d) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Closure of Youth Provision**

This Council views with dismay the Council Executive proposals to close ALL of Trafford Youth Centres and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Centre, along with four more Children Centres, as well as the discontinuation of holiday play schemes, the withdrawal of the Outdoor Education Team, Street Based Youth Work Teams – and to provide only the minimum statutory duty for Connexions and the Education Welfare services.

Clearly Trafford Council has a responsibility and duty to back and support the next generation, and the future of our young people must be paramount and our top priority. Therefore we call on the Council Executive to reconsider its proposal for the mass closure of children and youth provision in Trafford.

**(e) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Trafford General Hospital**

This Council is extremely concerned to learn that a programme of job losses has been announced at Trafford General Hospital which will lead to redundancies amongst support staff. This latest announcement follows quick on the heels of the downgrading of Accident and Emergency and other services at the hospital last year. No public consultation has been carried out in consideration of this latest action taken by the Hospital Trust.

We therefore call on the Council to write to the Hospital Trust asking that the redundancy notices be withdrawn until such time as meaningful and thorough public consultation has taken place.

**(f) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Northern Powerhouse**

This Council welcomes the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to create a Northern Powerhouse, capable of performing on an international stage to create jobs and growth for everybody that lives in the North of England.

Council notes steps taken to ensure progress is made in this endeavour including the notion that an HS3 East to West line would increase capacity and shorten journey times between Greater Manchester and Leeds.

Members acknowledge the offer made in the Greater Manchester Agreement, which is to be debated in the coming months.

The Council recognises the support of senior Labour Council Leaders in ensuring a Conservative Chancellor after the next General Election as the only option in securing this future Northern Powerhouse vision and agrees entirely with that support.

**(g) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Pledge of Hope - Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner**

This Council is supportive of the following pledge and requests that the Chief Executive write to the Police and Crime Commissioner to indicate as such.

*We stand up for hope in our communities, not the fear and hatred extremists would use to divide us.*

*We vow to import peace, never to export conflict.*

*We are proud of our city and region.*

*Continued ...*

*We celebrate our common heritage of peaceful radical protest to achieve social progress and justice.*

*We uphold the right to peaceful protest as essential in a healthy democracy.*

*However, we will stand up to those who try to use protest to divide or threaten our people and whip up intolerance, violence and hatred.*

*We gain strength from the diversity of our people.*

***We pledge:***

- *To promote positive relationships between all communities and reject and condemn any form of discrimination, violence or harassment to any member of our communities.*
- *In exercising the right to demonstrate and protest, we will not do anything to generate hostility or division between our communities. We will avoid doing anything in our protest to cause racial or religious hatred or prejudice on grounds of race, nationality, sex, sexuality or religion.*
- *In managing protests, we will facilitate peaceful protest as the exercising of a basic democratic right*
- *In expressing deeply held opinions, including the use of social media, we will do so responsibly and respect the right of others to do the same*
- *To ensure everyone involved in the managing of protest and those who organise and participate in our protest to abide by this pledge.*

*We expect the community of Greater Manchester to hold us to account in continuing to promote strong communities that work against hatred and fear.*

*On behalf of all of the people of Trafford and Greater Manchester, we call on all those in the news media to report issues on protests and demonstrations, race, nationality, gender, sexuality and religion positively, responsibly and with sensitivity.*

Yours sincerely,



**THERESA GRANT**  
Chief Executive

## Council - Wednesday, 12 November 2014

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### Membership of the Council

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### Further Information

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This Summons was issued on **Tuesday, 4 November 2014** by the Legal and Democratic Services Section, Trafford Council, Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road, Stretford M32 0TH

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