



## TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Tuesday, 18 July 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, 26 JULY 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:

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| <b>1. Minutes</b>                                                                                                                                                                          |              |
| To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 24 May 2017 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. Membership of Committees</b>                                                                                                                                                         |              |
| To note the following change to the Membership of Committees, as agreed by the Chief Executive under delegated authority:                                                                  |              |
| Councillor Carter replaced Councillor Baugh as a substitute Member of Planning and Development Management Committee, with effect from 10 July 2017.                                        |              |

**5. Capital Investment Fund**

To consider a joint report of the Executive Member for Investment, Executive Member for Corporate Resources and the Chief Finance Officer which is expected to be referred to Council by the Executive on 24 July 2017. 13 - 22

*(Note: A related report is to be considered later at this meeting following the exclusion of the press and public.)*

**6. Accounts and Audit Committee Annual Report to Council 2016/17**

To note a report of the 2016/17 Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Accounts and Audit Committee. 23 - 38

**7. Annual Scrutiny Report 2016/17**

To note a report of the 2016/17 Scrutiny Committee Chairmen. 39 - 42

**8. Year End Corporate Report on Health and Safety - 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017**

To note a report of the Executive Member for Corporate Resources. 43 - 58

**9. Motions**

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

**(a) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - George H Carnall Leisure Centre**

This Council notes the strength of feeling of many residents in the M41 area regarding the proposed closure of George H Carnall Leisure Centre in Davyhulme.

Council recognises that:

- Leisure centres are a vital tool in improving the health and wellbeing of residents
- George Carnall is a valued community facility in the Davyhulme area
- This Centre provides a wide range of services many of which are not routinely available at other leisure centres in Trafford
- Urmston Leisure Centre has limited physical scope for expansion on a compact and already well-used site
- Consultation to date has been extremely poor with many residents complaining of a lack of information and open dialogue with Trafford Leisure CIC

Council therefore makes clear its opposition to the proposed closure of George H Carnall Leisure Centre and undertakes to revisit this proposal with Trafford Leisure CIC, with a view to keeping the facility open.

**(b) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Fire Safety (Grenfell Tower Tragedy)**

The Council Notes:

- The terrible and avoidable loss of life in the Grenfell Tower Fire on 14th June 2017 – our thoughts are with the families and friends of those that died in the horrific fire. Our thoughts are also with the survivors who have been traumatised and left homeless as a result of this tragic event.
- We also note the understandable concerns about fire safety raised by residents in high rise tower blocks around the country. The Council believes that every resident, regardless of type of tenure, should, as a matter of right, feel safe and secure in their own home.

Council therefore calls on the Government:

- To abandon the “one in, two out” rule (introduced by the Coalition Government) for regulations.
- To set up a programme to have Sprinkler Systems fitted in all High Rise Flats in the Country (the case for sprinklers has been made; there haven’t been any fire deaths in buildings where sprinklers have been fitted).
- To ensure that in the future any cladding fitted to High Rise Flats should be of high quality Fire-Resistant Material approved by the Fire Service to a uniformed national standard.
- To ensure that the Fire Service should have overall responsibility for fire safety for High rise Flats, which includes the flats, corridors, public spaces, fire alarm, safety advice to tenants; and the Fire Service should provide Fire Safety Assurance for Residential High Rise Flats. All High Rise Blocks should be inspected by the Fire Service at least once every two years and inspected following a major refurbishment. (Fire Service are the experts, they are trusted and respected by the public and are public servants rather than private fire assessors who are out to make a profit).
- That New High Rise Flats should be regulated to ensure they are built to include all of the above, and in addition they should be built with at least two Stairwells within the building.
- Should urgently review the fire regulation Orders and fully fund the Fire Service to re-enable planning and building control applications to be reviewed by the Fire Safety Service on a risk-assessed basis.
- Will need to recognise that extra Government financial resources will need to be made available to Fire & Rescue Services to enable them to provide for the necessary workload that this will entail.

**(c) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Trafford Pride**

This Council welcomes the introduction of a Trafford Pride event, held for the first time as part of the Altrincham Festival this year. The celebration provided a fantastic opportunity to show support and solidarity with Trafford's LGBT community, and was well received by residents. Council places on record our thanks to the organisers of Trafford Pride and affirms our willingness to support this event so that it can grow and thrive in the future.

**(d) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Supporting Local Businesses in Trafford**

This Council notes that since its inception in 2013 a total of £274,000 has been awarded from the Town Centre Loan Scheme (TCLS) to Trafford businesses across the borough. The funding has helped to support 28 new businesses, create 118 local jobs and has seen a total of £1.18 million leveraged as a result of the scheme.

Following the success of the TCLS, in April 2017 Council notes that the Executive approved a new, revised Town Centre Business Growth Programme to further reduce vacancy rates and stimulate business growth and jobs including expanding the range of activities covered by loan finance to marketing for new and existing businesses and training to help companies upskill their workforce.

The Council puts on record its support for these initiatives and commits to promoting them to the local business community.

**(e) Motion Submitted with Cross-Party Support - Stretford Meadows**

This Council is aware of proposals by a land owner to develop industrial units and warehousing on the area known as Stretford Meadows (the land that lies north of the M60 and south of Stretford and the B5213). In light of this proposal, Trafford Council reaffirms its commitment to Stretford Meadows as a green space which serves and is accessible to all of Trafford's communities. The Council will continue to implement strategies to enhance this area, Stretford and the wider Mersey Valley.

**(f) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Remembering Srebrenica**

This Council:

- Notes that 2017 is the twenty-second anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which saw over 8,000 Muslim men and boys killed by Serbian nationalist forces.

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- Notes that in 2009 the European Parliament passed a resolution that 11 July should be recognised as the day of commemoration of the Srebrenica genocide all over the EU; and in 2015 urged the development of educational and cultural programmes that promote an understanding of the causes of such atrocities and raise awareness about the need to nurture peace and to promote human rights and interreligious tolerance.
- Applauds the work of those involved in the pursuit of justice for the victims and their surviving relatives, including the International Commission of Missing People (ICMP) and the Mothers of Srebrenica, whose courage and humility in the face of unthinkable horror is an inspiration to us all.
- Commends the work of the charity, Remembering Srebrenica, in raising awareness of this tragic and preventable genocide and working in communities across Britain to help them learn the lessons of Srebrenica.

The Council resolves to:

- Offer support to Remembering Srebrenica delegates from Trafford who visited Bosnia on the 'Lessons from Srebrenica' education programme and have been working tirelessly in the community to raise awareness of the genocide and learn the lessons of Srebrenica.
- Support Srebrenica memorial events in July each year throughout Trafford as part of the UK-wide Remembering Srebrenica Memorial Week.
- Support the work of Remembering Srebrenica in communities across Trafford to learn the lessons from Srebrenica to tackle hatred and intolerance to help build a better, safer and more cohesive society for everyone.

(g) **Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - United Utilities and Davyhulme Wastewater Treatment Works**

This Council is aware that many residents in Davyhulme, Flixton and Urmston have suffered increasing instances of unacceptable odours originating from Davyhulme Wastewater Treatment Works (Davyhulme WwTW). This issue, that blights the lives of so many people particularly in the summer months, must be effectively resolved as a matter of urgency and it is noted that in addition to officers from Trafford's Environmental Health Department, the Environment Agency has also visited the site.

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Council notes that over £200 million is currently being invested at the site as a modernisation project, and over £20 million has already been invested in odour control at Davyhulme.

Whilst several thousand people have already been contacted by United Utilities, the information provided has been insufficient and further proactive detail must be provided in the future.

The current timescales are that the new systems should be commissioned by the end of this year, with full testing completed by mid-2018, which will allow for decommissioning of the old plant.

On behalf of residents Council expect United Utilities to adhere to these dates and will require additional contingency plans to be more effective in future.

**10. Exclusion Resolution**

Motion (Which may be amended as Members think fit):

“That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the following item on the agenda, because of the likelihood of disclosure of “exempt information” which falls within a descriptive category of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as specified on the agenda item and report relating to the item.”

**11. Capital Investment Fund - Part B Appendices**

- *Not for publication by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended*

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Yours sincerely,



**THERESA GRANT**  
Chief Executive

Membership of the Council

Councillors J. Coupe (Mayor), T. Ross (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, 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, J. Lloyd, E. Malik, A. Mitchell, P. Myers, D. O'Sullivan, K. Procter, J.R. Reilly, Mrs. J. Reilly, B. Rigby, 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

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