



TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Tuesday, 21 November 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, 29 NOVEMBER 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 - 6.00 P.M. - 6.45 P.M.

HS2 BRIEFING

Prior to Council, all Members of Council are invited to attend at 6.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber to receive a presentation on the next stage of HS2 following confirmation of the route.

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| 1. Minutes | |
| To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11 October 2017 for signature by the Mayor as Chairman. | 1 - 14 |
| 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 note the following change to the Membership of Committees, as agreed by the Chief Executive under delegated authority:

Councillor Cornes appointed, with effect from 18 October 2017, as a replacement for former Councillor Smith on the Planning and Development Management Committee.

5. Registration of Councillors as Data Controllers

To consider a report of the Corporate Director for Transformation and Resources.

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6. Consultation – Disqualification Criteria for Councillors and Mayors

To consider a report of the Corporate Director for Transformation and Resources.

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7. Interim Amendment of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules to Permit Implementation of a Risk-Based Sourcing Trial

To consider a joint report of the Chief Finance Officer and the Director of Stockport, Trafford and Rochdale (STaR) Procurement Service.

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8. Council Tax Support Scheme for 2018/19 - Proposed Changes for Care Leavers, Those in Receipt of Universal Credit (UC) and Company Directors

To consider a report of the Executive Member for Corporate Resources and anticipated recommendations from the Executive Meeting on 27 November 2017.

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9. Altrincham Neighbourhood Business Plan

To consider a report of the Executive Member for Housing and Strategic Planning, which is expected to be referred from the Executive Meeting on 27 November 2017.

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10. Motions

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

(a) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Broadheath Community Hub

Council notes it was recently confirmed that contracts had exchanged on a new community centre, restaurant and nursery in Broadheath.

The Council is therefore pleased to see that building work on this exciting and welcome community hub has started and places on record its thanks to all parties involved for their determination and tenacity in making this project a reality.

Council wishes to place on record its appreciation and recognise the dedication shown by Broadheath Community Association, the National Trust, developers, Councillors and residents alike, working together to ensure this exciting project has begun.

Council further supports the notion that development activity across the borough is positively contributing to improved public realm, new community facilities, green spaces and town centre regeneration as Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions are received and shows a demonstrable link between good development and an improved community offering.

(b) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Green Belt Land at Flixton

This Council notes changes put forward by the ruling Conservative Group to their proposals for the building of homes on green belt land in Flixton. Council recognises this space as a vital community asset and makes clear its opposition to any building taking place on the site. To this end Council calls upon the Conservative Group to review their proposals again and to withdraw their support for any and all building on Flixton's green belt.

(c) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Dignity in Social Care: Improving Social Care Services and Jobs

This Council notes with alarm the continuing crisis of social care underfunding that makes it hard for local authorities and provider organisations to ensure decent jobs and quality services.

This Council supports in principle the provisions of UNISON's Ethical and Residential Care Charters. The Council intends to implement the charters at the earliest practicable opportunity, recognising that some aspects of the charters may require additional funding.

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This Council welcomes the additional short term funding that the government pledged for social care in the 2017 budget but notes that this does not go far enough and does not represent a sustainable solution.

This Council welcomes UNISON's Care Workers for Change campaign initiative which aims to expand union membership within the sector to give care workers the support and confidence to lead the public-facing campaign to increase central government funding, improve employee relations and raise standards within the sector.

This Council undertakes to encourage those care providers that we currently commission or purchase provision from, and to require those care providers that we commission or purchase provision from in future, to:-

- 1) Respect the right of care staff to organise a union in their workplace and do nothing to undermine the reasonable efforts of staff to organise a union.
- 2) Allow access to accredited union representatives and officials for membership recruitment activity. Provider organisations should engage positively with union requests for access to staff and, where necessary, agree arrangements that do not disrupt service delivery.
- 3) Pursue a partnership approach to employment relations. We would expect the provider to engage constructively with the union including a recognition and facilities agreement to underpin collective working.
- 4) Work with the providers and unions to pursue our shared objective of achieving the provisions of the UNISON Ethical and Residential Care Charters.

The Council will write to all current providers of council-commissioned care services at the earliest opportunity to advise them of our expectation that they will comply positively with the above points (1-4). These principles will be enshrined in our future commissioning processes and procedures.

(d) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Public Sector Pay Cap

For most public sector workers, including local authorities, schools, NHS, police, fire, their pay has significantly fallen in real terms since 2010. This has resulted in severe hardship for many individuals and families of public sector workers.

The Council further notes the drastic financial cuts to local government, police, fire, health and social care which is putting massive strain on those services. All of this is putting extra strain and increased workloads on staff, which in turn is now having a serious negative impact on the delivery of vital services within our communities here in Trafford and beyond.

In light of the above the Council calls on Government to lift the public sector pay cap and provide the necessary funding to enable those services to pay the workforce a decent and fair wage for the fantastic work they carry out for the people we represent.

(e) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Universal Credit

Council agrees that the intention of Universal Credit (UC) to make benefits less complicated and to allow those in low paid work to keep more of their wages is a good idea, but believes that the evidence demonstrates that the Universal Credit process is flawed and causing unnecessary hardship to local families.

Council notes that UC was deliberately introduced on a slow rollout so that any issues could be seen and corrected before the benefit was introduced to all claimants.

Council further notes that the evidence of this Council and others across the country is that UC is causing huge increases in rent arrears and in general debt levels amongst claimants, many of whom have never been in debt before. In addition, evidence demonstrates that most private landlords and even some housing associations are refusing to accept tenants receiving UC, leading to an increase in those registering as homeless and seeking temporary accommodation.

Council also notes that foodbank usage in the borough of Trafford has risen by 30% since the rollout of Full Digital UC in July 2017.

Council therefore resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, making these points, requesting that the Government addresses these issues, and that the roll-out is paused (including to new claimants in Trafford) until the problems are fixed.

(f) **Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Trafford Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Minimum Waiting Times for Non-urgent Surgery**

This Council will oppose any proposal by Trafford CCG to introduce minimum waiting times for non-urgent surgery for residents. This proposed policy is a shameful consequence of underfunding of the NHS, and undermines our core principles and the constitution of the NHS which clearly states that everyone has access to treatment at the earliest possible date whenever they need it.

Yours sincerely,



THERESA GRANT
Chief Executive

Membership of the Council

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Further Information

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