

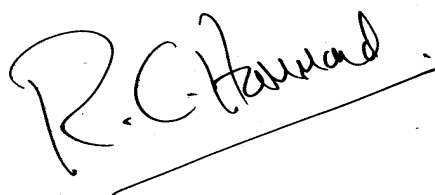
NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING – 24 APRIL 2008

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the Cambridge City Council will be held in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall on Thursday 24 April 2008 at 6.00pm and I hereby summon you to attend.

Dated 16 April 2008

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R.C. Howard". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Chief Executive

Agenda

- 1 **TO APPROVE AS CORRECT RECORDS THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 21 FEBRUARY 2008.**
(White pages 33 - 54)
- 2 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 3 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** - see at the foot of the agenda for details of the scheme
- 4 **TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR ADOPTION:**
 - [General Fund - 2007/08 Estimated Revenue and Capital Outturn, Carry Forwards and Significant Variances Overview.](#) (The Leader)
 - [North West Cambridge Area Action Plan](#) (Executive Councillor for Climate Change & Growth)
All supporting documents can be found [at this web link](#) by scrolling down to item 7*(Cream pages 1 - 12)*

5 TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES FOR ADOPTION: *(Cream pages 13 - 32)*

Civic Affairs (16 April) As the meeting is not until the day of despatch of this agenda,

- [Review of the Boundary between Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council](#) – Adoption Minute to follow
- [Members Allowances Scheme 2008/09 – Adoption Minute to follow](#)

6 TO DEAL WITH ORAL QUESTIONS

If members wish to ask questions they should inform the Chief Executive **in writing by noon on the day before the meeting** of the full text of the question to be asked. A list of questions will be circulated at the meeting, with the order having been determined by the Mayor drawing names at random.

7 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION, NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN BY:

(a) Councillors Newbold and Lynn

More than 13 billion plastic bags are used in the UK every year, accounting for a fifth of all plastic packaging used. This equates to each individual in Britain using on average 150 bags per year. All 33 authorities in the London Council Group have voted for legislation to be passed banning shops from handing out free plastic bags.

London councils have found overwhelming public support and a survey by the Market Research Bureau showed that if supermarkets stopped supplying free plastic bags, 14% of respondents said they would be prepared to pay £2 or more for a re-usable woven shopping bag that would last for up to a year, 64% said they would pay between 50p and £1, while 11% thought that 20p was a fair price.

Plastic bags are one of the most visible symbols of environmental waste.

The City Council supports moves by city retailers to only issue carrier bags that are designed to be reusable, and welcomes all initiatives that will end the free issue of plastic carrier bags in Cambridge. This could include an initiative to hand out reusable bags for life to Cambridge City Residents in a campaign to raise awareness and make a real impact on reducing the use of plastic bags in our city.

The Council asks the Executive Councillor for Environmental & Waste Services to oversee the development of proposals for a citywide campaign to help retailers switch to reusable bags, including writing to and meeting with retailers, our major city shopping centres, local shopping centres, and local retail federation representatives.

(b) Councillor Herbert

This Council requests the Executive member for Housing to bring before it a strategy which sets out options for increasing the delivery of affordable homes in Cambridge, in a form which reflects the 'key priority' status which the Council gives to this issue, including specific proposals to:

- increase provision of affordable homes on land within the control of the public sector;
- identify additional sites for the development of affordable homes;
- retain at least existing levels of council homes;
- make better use of Right to Buy and other capital receipts, such as commuted sums from private development, to enable more affordable homes to be made available in the city of Cambridge;
- generate partnerships with developers and housing associations, but in which the Council retains a clear stake;
- hear and respond to the housing needs and concerns of older people.

c) Councillors Reid and Nimmo-Smith

The Council resolves to brief MPs and parliamentary spokespersons for constituencies covering Cambridge on the current status of the Area Action Plans for urban growth sites on the fringes of the city, including Cambridge East.

The Council recognises that, if successful, the Hanley Grange proposals would be intended by the Government to deliver yet further growth over and above (a) that agreed in the Cambridge East Area Action Plan, the Cambridge 2006 Local Plan and the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS), and (b) the additional growth that Government is considering following its examination of the RSS. It recognises that this 'eco town' would not be a substitute for any of the growth already planned and agreed for the sub-region.

The Council therefore further resolves to advise MPs and parliamentary spokespersons for constituencies covering Cambridge of these and related facts, and to urge them to join the City Council in objecting to the 'Hanley Grange' proposals which fail sustainability

criteria for reasons including negative transport impacts and lack of local employment opportunities.

8 TO RECEIVE RECORDS OF DECISIONS MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE

8a Executive Decisions taken outside the Budget Framework

None

8b Executive Decisions taken during Scrutiny Committees March-April

(Green pages 55 - 58)

- [Housing Management Board](#) – 18 March

The Records of Decision taken at Environment Scrutiny Committee, Community Services Scrutiny Committee and Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee will be tabled at the meeting.

8c Executive Decisions (not scrutinised) taken in March-April

Executive Councillor for Climate Change & Growth

- [Local Authority Parking Enforcement Penalty Charges under the Traffic Management Act 2004 \(Part 6\)](#)
- [Procurement of M3 Spatial Extensions to the Geographic Information Systems \(GIS\) Connector](#)
- [Capital Project Appraisal & Procurement Report – Tree Maintenance Database](#)

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9 TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

These will be circulated at the Council meeting.

Information for the public

*You can ask questions on an issue included on the agenda above, or on an issue which is within the Council's powers. If you wish to ask a question related to an agenda item contact the committee officer (listed below under 'contact') **before the meeting starts**. If you wish to ask a question on a matter not included on this agenda, please contact the committee officer by 10.00am the working day before the meeting. Further details concerning the right to speak at committee can be obtained from the committee section.*

*Contact: Liz Whitcher, Committee Manager on **01223 - 457015***