

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING - 25 FEBRUARY 2010

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of Cambridge City Council will be held in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall on Thursday, 25 February 2010 at 6.00 pm and I hereby summon you to attend.

Dated 17 February 2010

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AP Jackson', written in a cursive style.

Chief Executive

Agenda

- 1 **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2009**

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- 2 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 3 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

See at the foot of the agenda for details of the scheme

4 SUB-COMMITTEE TO MAKE CHIEF OFFICER APPOINTMENTS (THE LEADER)

The Chief Executive has launched a consultation paper on future structure of the Council. The Council will be asked to confirm a new structure at its meeting on 22 April 2010. The implementation of that structure will require a member appointments sub-committee to make any Chief Officer appointments required.

The Council's constitution requires that a committee or sub-committee of the Council must appoint chief officers. That committee or sub-committee must include at least one member of the Executive. The appointment of Chief Officers does not require approval of full council. But the constitution does require that an offer of employment as a chief officer shall only be made where no well-founded objection has been received from the member(s) of the Executive.

It is proposed that the Appointment Sub-Committee will undertake the recruitment and selection process from determining the job description and person specification, through to selecting candidates for interviews, interviewing and then recommending appointments. The Appointment Sub-Committee will be assisted by the Head of Human Resources and the Chief Executive.

Accordingly Council is recommended –

To establish an Appointment Sub-Committee of 6 councillors (4 Liberal Democrats, 2 Labour) to undertake the recruitment of any new Chief Officers and to agree the terms and conditions of appointment for the successful candidates.

5 TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR ADOPTION:

[A\) Draft revenue and capital budgets revised 2009/10 and proposed 2010/11 and forecast 2011/12](#)

[Budget Precepting Amendment Motion](#)

b) Labour Group amendment (Draft revenue and capital budgets revised 2009/10, proposed 2010/11 and forecast 2011/12)

Budget Setting Report - February 2010 (attached separately)

Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee minutes - 12 February 2010

The draft minutes of the meeting which considered the budget amendments are attached for information **(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 Blencowe and Newbold

To the Leader:

This Council regrets the lack of public consultation on two recently made decisions, notably:

- 1.The non-renewal of the section 30 dispersal order for the Petersfield end of Mill Road and it's surrounding area and
- 2.The use of Cherry Hinton Hall for the new dog compound.

It also regrets the lack of public consultation on the Planning Committee decision to vary the CB1/Station Area section 106 agreement. The Council calls on the Leader and Chief Executive to address this democratic deficiency as a matter of urgency.

b) Councillors Todd-Jones and Blencowe

To the Executive Councillor for Housing.

This Council notes the public admission at the Housing Management Board meeting of 8th February that, as a result of the Tranche 6 Housing Management Services transfer to the Customer Service Centre, that 4 out of 8 estate housing officer posts are to be lost.

This Council on behalf of its tenants and leaseholders believes that this outcome is unacceptable and that the overall Housing Management Services transfer package should be revised and that the Executive Member for Housing is urged to bring a further proposal to the next HMB meeting which protects this essential frontline service.

c) Councillors Bick and Nimmo-Smith

Cuts in Higher Education Funding

The Council

- recognises that the higher education sector in Cambridge is a major engine of the local economy, and a key gateway that offers access and opportunity to be part of the educated, qualified and skilled workforce on which local economic development is critically dependent.
- is apprehensive at the prospect of an estimated £2.5b of cuts in funding for universities nationally over the next three years.
- believes that the government's planned financial retrenchment will have a serious impact not only on jobs in the city's universities but also on the wider economy.

The Council therefore instructs the Leader and Chief Executive to write

- to relevant government ministers asking them to think again about their proposed cuts in higher education funding,
- to the Greater Cambridge Partnership asking them to monitor the impact of any higher education cuts on the sub-regional economy.
- to local MPs and prospective parliamentary candidates urging them to commit to defend the Cambridge economy, and with it the wider national interest, from these risks.

8 TO RECEIVE RECORDS OF URGENT DECISIONS MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE (OCTOBER - FEBRUARY)

Executive Councillor for Customer Services and Resources

- [Procurement of an Asbestos Contractor](#) for Cambridge City Council in collaboration with Cambridgeshire County Council for a four-year contract

Executive Councillor for Arts and Recreation

- [Midsummer Common – Proposed Community Orchard](#)

Executive Councillor for Climate Change & Growth

- [A14 Ellington To Fen Ditton Scheme](#): Publication of Environmental Statement And Draft Orders
- [Local Development Framework](#) - Annual Monitoring Report 2009
- [Concessionary Fares](#) Agreement With Cambridgeshire County Council
- Ongoing Payment Processing Services For The [Grand Arcade Car Park](#)
- Ongoing Payment Processing Services For City [Car Parks \(Excluding Grand Arcade\)](#).

Executive Councillor for Housing

- [Fire Risk Assessment Communal Areas housing stock](#)

9 TO RECEIVE THE RECORDS OF DECISIONS AND MINUTES

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.

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