



## **NORWICH CITY COUNCIL**

Members of the council are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the council, to be held in the council chamber, City Hall

**Tuesday 28 January 2014**

**7.30pm**

### **AGENDA**

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**1. Lord Mayor's announcements**

**2. Declarations of interest**

**3. Questions from the public**

**4. Petitions**

**5. Minutes**

To agree the accuracy of the minutes of the council meetings held on 26 November and 17 December 2013

**6. Questions to cabinet members / committee chairs**

(A printed copy of the questions and replies will be available at the meeting)

**7. Nominations for Sheriff and Deputy Lord Mayor for 2014-15**

**Purpose** – To receive nominations for Sheriff and Deputy Lord Mayor for the next civic year.

**8. Council tax reduction scheme for 2014 - 15**

(Report of the head of business relationship management)

**Purpose** – To consider a council tax reduction scheme for 2014-15

**9. National Non-Domestic Rating Income (business rates) and council tax base**

(Report of the chief finance officer)

**Purpose** - To consider delegation of the submission of the National Non-Domestic Rate form (NNDR1) and approval of the council tax base

**10.MOTION – HOUSING STANDARDS**

Councillor Neale to move and Councillor Jackson to second:

Houses built to PassivHaus or similar standards save money in the long-term and help to eliminate fuel poverty through reductions to energy consumption.

In building new housing stock, there is an opportunity for local authorities to stimulate demand for low carbon technologies, including creating associated local apprenticeships, jobs and training by choosing high energy-efficiency standards.

Council **RESOLVES** to ask cabinet to build new housing to the highest possible standards, rather than the minimum set in the current national and local planning frameworks.

**11.MOTION – ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Councillor Stammers to move and Councillor Jackson to second:

The city council draft economic strategy 2013 - 2018 states that 'Norwich is exceptionally well placed to use the global shift to carbon reduction to drive growth'

The city council **RESOLVES** to ask cabinet to include, in the next edition of the *Economic strategy action plan*, how it intends to support the development of environmentally sustainable enterprise, with the aim of unlocking the potential of Norwich's low carbon economy.

**12.MOTION – PRINCE OF WALES ROAD**

Councillor Grahame to move and Councillor Henderson to second:

Alcohol related anti-social behaviour continues to contribute to making

the Prince of Wales Road area less safe and clean than many residents would want it to be. Ward councillors and many residents have noted some improvements resulting from alcohol sales ceasing at 4am and have pledged to continue working to improve this area.

In Ipswich a voluntary agreement by off licences not to sell cheap super-strength alcohol has significantly reduced drink-related anti-social behaviour.

Council **RESOLVES** to:-

1. welcome this collaborative and voluntary approach;
2. ask cabinet to continue to work within the Norfolk Community Safety Partnership and work with the Stakeholders' Forum and Healthy City Participants, and other interested parties to negotiate further improvements for residents in the city centre, including exploring opportunities to limit the sale of cheap super-strength alcohol; and
3. ask licensing committee to consider all such evidence and the views of residents when amended Early Morning Restriction Order proposals for the management of the city's night time economy are brought before it.



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