



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 26 November 2013

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 24 September 2013.

6. QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS/COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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

7. CONSTITUTION REVIEW

(Report of executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose – To consider recommendations of cabinet, endorsed by the constitution working party, to adopt amendments to the council's constitution as part of its fundamental review of the constitution.

8. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

(Report of the monitoring officer)

Purpose - To summarise the key work carried out from 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013 and provide an assurance that the council's control measures to the areas which are the responsibility of the monitoring officer are adequate and effective.

9. LOCAL AUTHORITY MORTGAGE SCHEME (LAMS)

(Report of chief finance officer)

Purpose – To present an outline of the LAMS and show how it could be implemented in Norwich to help first time house buyers.

10. NORMAN CENTRE - MILLAR HALL WORKS : CAPITAL PLAN AND PROGRAMME.

(Report of the executive head of customers, communications and culture)

Purpose - To seek approval to the inclusion of Millar Hall works into the capital plan and the capital programme 2013/14 to fully fund the infrastructure.

11. BOWTHORPE THREESCORE INFRASTRUCTURE : INCLUSION IN CAPITAL PLAN AND PROGRAMME

(Report of the deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the inclusion of the construction of the Threescore Infrastructure into the capital plan and the capital programme 2013/14 and 2014/15 to fully fund the infrastructure.

12. MOTION – ‘BEDROOM TAX’

Councillor Haynes to move:

Council **RESOLVES** to ask cabinet :-

- 1) for a period of one year, to disregard the sum by which a household's housing benefit payment has been reduced by under-occupancy restrictions when determining whether and when to initiate proceedings to recover a tenancy as a consequence of rent arrears; and,
- 2) to repeat the call to the coalition government to withdraw the provisions of the Welfare Reform Act relating to the so called “under occupation” in social housing (“the bedroom tax”)

13. MOTION – MENTAL HEALTH

Councillor Arthur to move:

The city council promotes equal opportunities for all and works toward promoting social inclusion to ensure that all citizens equally can access their rights without prejudice.

Council, therefore, **RESOLVES** to ask cabinet to:-

- 1) sign the Local Authorities' Mental Health Challenge run by Centre for Mental Health, Mental Health Foundation, Mind, Rethink Mental Illness, Royal College of Psychiatrists and YoungMinds;
- 2) appoint an elected member as 'mental health champion' across the council;
- 3) identify a 'lead officer' for mental health to link in with colleagues across the council;
- 4) follow the implementation framework for the mental health strategy where it is relevant to the council's work and local needs;
- 5) work to reduce inequalities in mental health services in our community;
- 6) work with the NHS to integrate health and social care support and request that the Norwich Clinical Commissioning Group re-commission some of its mental health services to those with a community and local element;
- 7) promote wellbeing and initiate and support action on public mental health;
- 8) tackle discrimination on the grounds of mental health in our community;
- 9) proactively engage and listen to people of all ages and backgrounds about what they need for better mental health; and,
- 10) sign up to the Time to Change pledge.



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