



NORWICH
City Council

NORWICH CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday 20 March 2012

7.30pm

AGENDA

- 1. Lord Mayor's announcements**
- 2. Presentation of long service awards**
- 3. Declarations of interest**
- 4. Questions from the public**
- 5. Petitions**
- 6. Minutes**

To agree the accuracy of the minutes of the council meeting held on 21 February 2012

- 7. Questions to cabinet members/committee chairs**
(A printed copy of the questions and replies will be available at the meeting)

- 8. Nominations for Lord Mayor and Sheriff**

To receive nominations for Lord Mayor and Sheriff for the next Civic Year

- 9. Treasury Management Strategy 2012/13**
(Report of the head of finance)

Purpose - To outline the Council's prudential indicators for 2012/13 through to 2014/15 and sets out the expected treasury operations for this period

10. Pay policy statement

(Report of the chief executive officer)

Purpose - To agree the councils pay policy statement for 2012/13

11. Appointment of section 151 officer

(Report of the chief executive officer)

Purpose - To appoint a section 151 officer for Norwich City Council following the delegation of the finance function to Cambridgeshire County Council on behalf of LGSS

12. Motion – Supporting biodiversity

Councillor Stammers to move -

“Much work is being done by councils in Newcastle, Sheffield and Harrogate in creating a biologically diverse landscape and in supporting bees, butterflies, insects, beetles and other pollinators in maintaining the pollination of plants and the production of fruiting plants and food production. Pollinators are essential to the economy and the food chain and contribute to the richness and diversity of our living landscape”.

Council:

RESOLVES to ask cabinet to adopt a policy of planting plant and flower species that support pollination and encourage biodiversity within the management strategy of its parks and open spaces and to replace non-pollinating or low pollinating species with those that are beneficial to bees, insects, butterflies and other pollinators.

13. Motion – Procurement

Councillor Offord to move -

“The council's Procurement Strategy contains six key principles, which include commitment to fairness, sustainability and equality in the procurement process and the Council's website states 'Good procurement will lead to buying goods, works and services in an ethical and sustainable way...'. The council's procurement decisions can have wide-ranging impacts, not only on Norwich and local residents, but on communities and the environment around the world.

The Public Services (Social Value) Bill 2010 -12, if enacted, requires "local authorities, when entering into public procurement contracts, to give greater

consideration to economic, social or environmental wellbeing during the pre-procurement stage.”

Council therefore **RESOLVES** to:

- (1) ask cabinet to adopt the strongest procurement policy that the council can legally adopt to raise ethical standards including an approach to procurement that will not involve contracting companies that are known to be in breach of international law and/or International Labour Organisation Conventions.
- (2) write to the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills to request a change in the rules that limit the council's ethical procurement policy.”

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