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Members of the council are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the council to be held in the council chamber, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich, NR2 1NH on

Tuesday, 21 July 2015

Agenda

19:30

Page nos 1 **Lord Mayor's announcements** 2 **Declarations of interest** (Please note that it is the responsibility of individual members to declare an interest prior to the item if they arrive late for the meeting) 3 **Questions from the public** 4 **Petitions** 5 **Minutes** 5 - 30 **Purpose -** to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2015. 6 Questions to cabinet members / committee chairs (A printed copy of the questions and replies will be available at the meeting)

Annual audit committee report 2014-15

2014-15 to council.

Purpose - to present the annual audit committee report

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Purpose - to consider the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), draft annual business plan for Norwich for 2016-17.

9 Motion – Emergency budget

Proposed by Councillor Harris and seconded by Councillor Waters

Council **RESOLVES** to ask the Secretary of State for communities and local government to reconsider plans to make an annual 1% cut in council house rents over the lifetime of this parliament because the proposal set out in the emergency budget will have serious implications for the council's business plan; its ability to build new council homes and to sustain a major programme of house refurbishment.

10 Motion – Proportional representation

Proposed by Councillor Schmierer and seconded by Councillor Raby

At this year's General Election, over 5 million people voted for two parties (Green and UKIP) who won two seats between them, while fewer than 1.5 million votes gave the Scottish National Party 56 seats, and Scotland elected only one Labour MP in 59 constituencies, despite Labour receiving 24% of votes.

Labour won ten city council seats this year with 25,619 votes and 17,922 green votes equated to four seats, while the conservatives won no seats with 15,617.

Many voters are calling for a fairer electoral system to be implemented, such as the one used in Scottish local elections.

Council **RESOLVES** to write to the government, the Leader of the opposition and our local MPs stating that the council supports a system of proportional representation (PR) for local and national government elections and to suggest Norwich as a possible pilot area for PR in Local Government.

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