# EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 4th June, 2014 as part of the Mayor Making Ceremony, in the Guildhall, Civic Centre

# **Members of the Council**

The Mayor – Chair

The Sheriff - Vice-chair

Leader of the Council

Members of the Council (See overleaf)

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| WARD          | COUNCILLOR                         | WARD       | COUNCILLOR                         |
|---------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| Bargate       | Bogle<br>Noon<br>Tucker            | Millbrook  | Denness<br>Galton<br>Thorpe        |
| Bassett       | Hannides<br>B Harris<br>L Harris   | Peartree   | Keogh<br>Lewzey<br>Dr Paffey       |
| Bevois        | Barnes-Andrews<br>Burke<br>Rayment | Portswood  | Claisse<br>Norris<br>O'Neill       |
| Bitterne      | Letts<br>Lloyd<br>Stevens          | Redbridge  | McEwing<br>Pope<br>Whitbread       |
| Bitterne Park | Baillie<br>Inglis<br>White         | Shirley    | Chaloner<br>Coombs<br>Kaur         |
| Coxford       | Morrell<br>Spicer<br>Thomas        | Sholing    | Mrs Blatchford<br>Hecks<br>Jeffery |
| Freemantle    | Moulton<br>Parnell<br>Shields      | Swaythling | Mintoff<br>Painton<br>Vassiliou    |
| Harefield     | Daunt<br>Fitzhenry<br>Smith        | Woolston   | Chamberlain<br>Hammond<br>Payne    |

# **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

#### **Role of the Council**

The Council comprises all 48 Councillors. The Council normally meets six times a year including the annual meeting, at which the Mayor and the Council Leader are elected and committees and subcommittees are appointed, and the budget meeting, at which the Council Tax is set for the following year.

The Council approves the policy framework, which is a series of plans and strategies recommended by the Executive, which set out the key policies and programmes for the main services provided by the Council.

It receives a summary report of decisions made by the Executive, and reports on specific issues raised by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.

The Council also considers questions and motions submitted by Council Members on matters for which the Council has a responsibility or which affect the City.

#### **Public Involvement**

#### Representations

At the discretion of the Mayor, members of the public may address the Council on any report included on the agenda in which they have a relevant interest.

#### Petitions

At a meeting of the Council any Member or member of the public may present a petition which is submitted in accordance with the Council's scheme for handling petitions.

Petitions containing more than 1,500 signatures (qualifying) will be debated at a Council meeting.

#### Deputations

A deputation of up to three people can apply to address the Council. A deputation may include the presentation of a petition.

#### Questions

People who live or work in the City may ask questions of the Mayor, Chairs of Committees and Members of the Executive.

#### Southampton City Council's Priorities:

- **Economic**: Promoting Southampton and attracting investment; raising ambitions and improving outcomes for children and young people.
- **Social**: Improving health and keeping people safe; helping individuals and communities to work together and help themselves.
- **Environmental**: Encouraging new house building and improving existing homes; making the city more attractive and sustainable.
- One Council: Developing an engaged, skilled and motivated workforce; implementing better ways of working to manage reduced budgets and increased demand.

**Smoking policy** – The Council operates a no-smoking policy in all civic buildings.

**Mobile Telephones** – Please turn off your mobile telephone whilst in the meeting.

**Fire Procedure** – In the event of a fire or other emergency, a continuous alarm will sound and you will be advised by Council officers what action to take.

**Access** – Access is available for disabled people. Please contact the Council Administrator who will help to make any necessary arrangements.

#### Dates of Meetings(Municipal Year 2014/15)

| 2014  | 2015                   |  |  |
|---|------------------------|--|--|
| 16 July   | 11 February (Budget)** |  |  |
| 17 September  | 18 March               |  |  |
| 19 November   | 20 May (AGM)*          |  |  |
| *Date subject to the election schedule                          |                        |  |  |
| ** proposed date change from the 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2015 |                        |  |  |

# **CONDUCT OF MEETING**

# FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

The functions of the Council are set out in Article 4 of Part 2 of the Constitution

#### RULES OF PROCEDURE

The meeting is governed by the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution.

# **BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED**

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

#### QUORUM

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 16.

# **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any "Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" or "Other Interest" they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

# DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

(i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

(ii) Sponsorship:

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

(iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.

(iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.

(v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.

(vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.

(vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:

- a) the total nominal value for the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or
- b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

# **Other Interests**

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

Any body to which they have been appointed or nominated by Southampton City Council

Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature

Any body directed to charitable purposes

Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

# **Principles of Decision Making**

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision making power and gives effect to it. The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

Director of Corporate Services M R HEATH Civic Centre, Southampton, SO14 7LY

Tuesday, 27 May 2014

# TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the COUNCIL to be held on WEDNESDAY, 4TH JUNE, 2014 in the GUILDHALL, CIVIC CENTRE at 11.01 am when the following business is proposed to be transacted:-

# 1 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

# 2 HONORARY ALDERMEN

The following motion to be moved and seconded:-

That in pursuance of Section 249 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the office of Honorary Aldermen be conferred on former councillors Gerry Drake and Mrs Carol Cunio in recognition of their eminent service to the City and their names be recorded in the Roll of Honorary Aldermen.

# NOTE:

Under the provisions of Section 249 (5) and (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 these resolutions, to be effected, must be passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting at the meeting.

M R HEATH Director of Corporate Services