Agenda



Annual Council

Date: **Monday 18 May 2015**

Time: **4.00 pm**

Place: Council Chamber, Town Hall

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Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Craig Simmons

Sheriff Councillor Rae Humberstone

Members Councillor Mohammed Altaf-Khan Councillor Sajjad Malik

Councillor Farida Anwar
Councillor Chewe Munkonge
Councillor Elise Benjamin
Councillor Ruthi Brandt
Councillor Susanna Pressel
Councillor Susan Brown
Councillor Bob Price
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Councillor Ruth Wilkinson

Councillor Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan Councillor Dick Wolff

Councillor Mark Lygo

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SUMMONS

A meeting of the City Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, on Monday 18 May 2015 at 4.00 pm to transact the business set out below.

Peter Sloman

Proper Officer

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- 1 ELECTION OF LORD MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2015/16
- 2 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LORD MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2015/16
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7 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2015/16

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The Head of Law and Governance has submitted a report inviting Council to appoint committees for the council year 2015/16 and members to serve on these.

Council is recommended to:

- 1. note the arrangements for determining Political Groups and achieving political balance within the Political Governance arrangements;
- 2. appoint the bodies as currently defined within the Council's constitution and included in the table at paragraph 9 of this report;
- 3. agree the nominations to committees made by political groups and attached within a document circulated separately;
- 4. appoint a member to the Joint Oxfordshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee;

- 5. agree that all members of Council will form the pool of members able to observe on appeals and some grievances; and
- 6. authorise the Head of Law and Governance to make any changes to the constitution as a consequence of these decisions.

8 REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Council will receive and note a report from the Leader on the appointment of the deputy Leader of the Council, the appointment of Board Members and the Executive Scheme of Delegation.

9 COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION FOR 2015/16

The Chief Executive recommends Council to reaffirm for the Council year 2015/16 its agreement to the Council's scheme of delegation as set out in Section 5 of the Council's Constitution (available on the Council's website)

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DECLARING INTERESTS

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

¹Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.