# Agenda



# Council

Date: **Monday 16 May 2016** 

Time: **4.00 pm** 

Place: Council Chamber, Town Hall

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# Council

### **Membership**

Lord Mayor Councillor Rae Humberstone

Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Colin Cook

Sheriff Councillor Sajjad Malik

Members Councillor Mohammed Abbasi

Councillor Mohammed Altaf-Khan

Councillor Farida Anwar Councillor Elise Benjamin

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Councillor Ruthi Brandt
Councillor Susan Brown
Councillor Mary Clarkson

Councillor Van Coulter
Councillor Jean Fooks
Councillor James Fry
Councillor Andrew Gant
Councillor Stephen Goddard
Councillor Mick Haines
Councillor Tom Hayes

Councillor David Henwood Councillor Alex Hollingsworth Councillor Pat Kennedy

Councillor Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan

Councillor Mark Lygo

**Councillor Chewe Munkonge** 

Councillor Michele Paule Councillor Jennifer Pegg

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Councillor Susanna Pressel

Councillor Bob Price
Councillor Mike Rowley
Councillor Gill Sanders
Councillor Christine Simm
Councillor Craig Simmons
Councillor Dee Sinclair
Councillor Linda Smith
Councillor John Tanner
Councillor Richard Tarver

Councillor Sian Taylor
Councillor David Thomas
Councillor Ed Turner
Councillor Louise Upton
Councillor Elizabeth Wade
Councillor Ruth Wilkinson

Councillor Dick Wolff

Vacancy – those elected on 5

May will receive their summons on 6 May.

The quorum for this meeting is 12 members.

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#### **SUMMONS**

A meeting of the City Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, on Monday 16 May 2016 at 4.00 pm to transact the business set out below.

Peter Sloman

**Proper Officer** 

# **AGENDA**

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- 1 ELECTION OF LORD MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2016/17
- 2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY LORD MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2016/17
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- 4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 6 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE LORD MAYOR
- 7 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- 8 ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2016 TO 2020

Council is asked to elect a leader of Council, in accordance with the Council's executive arrangements as set out in the Constitution, for a four year period ending on the day of the annual meeting in 2020.

### 9 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.

# 10 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2016/17

The Head of Law and Governance has submitted a report inviting Council to appoint committees for the Council year 2016/17 and members to serve on these.

#### Council is recommended to:

- 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.

#### 11 COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION FOR 2016/17

The Chief Executive recommends Council to agree the Council's scheme of delegation for 2016/17 as set out in Section 5 of the Council's Constitution.

The Constitution is available on the Council's website

# 12 MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION AND EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

If Council wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any aspects of the preceding agenda items it will be necessary for Council to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 specifying the grounds on which their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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Additional information, councillors' questions, public addresses and amendments to motions are published in a supplementary briefing note. The agenda and briefing note should be read together.

The Briefing Note is published as a supplement to the agenda. It is available on the Friday before the meeting and can be accessed along with the agenda on the council's website.

#### **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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Disclosable 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.