



27 February 2014

Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,

Meeting of the Council – Friday 7 March 2014

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held on Friday 7 March 2014 at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Level 3, Manchester Town Hall Extension.

- 1. The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business**
(and including other business the Lord Mayor has agreed to have submitted as urgent)
- 2. Interests**
To allow Members an opportunity to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax or Council rent arrears. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 3. Minutes** - to submit for approval and signature the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2014.
- 4. Constitution of the Council – Council Procedure Rules - Minor Amendments**
The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed
- 5. The Council's Revenue and Capital Budget 2014/15 to 2015**
 - (a) To approve the proceedings of the Art Galleries Committee on 12 February 2014 in relation to the Art Galleries budget for 2014/15
 - (b) To approve the part proceedings of the Executive on 12 February 2014 which contain details of the following:
 - Budget 2015/17 – A Strategic Response
 - Children & Families Budget 2014/15
 - Better Care Fund
 - 2014/15 Corporate Core Budget
 - 2014/15 Growth and Neighbourhoods Budget
 - Revenue Budget 2014/15

- Dedicated Schools Grant 2014/15
 - Housing Revenue Account 2014/15 to 2016/17
 - Capital Programme (Budget 2014/15 – 2016/17)
 - Treasury Management Strategy Statement & Borrowing Limits and Annual Investment Strategy 2014-15
 - Global Revenue Budget Monitoring Report to end of December 2013
- (c) To note the minutes of the Finance Scrutiny Committee held on 24 February 2014, in relation to the overall budget proposals (to follow)
- (d) To note the minutes of the Finance Scrutiny Committee on 17 February (to follow), the Young People and Children and the Health scrutiny committees on 18 February, all in relation to the scrutiny of the directorate business plans.
- (e) To approve proposals to ensure that the Housing Revenue Account for 2014/15 does not show a debit balance
- (f) To determine affordable borrowing limits, prudential indicators, proposals in respect of treasury management, annual investment strategy and minimum revenue budget strategy
- (g) To calculate the Council Tax requirement in accordance with Section 31A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended
- (h) To calculate a basic amount of Council Tax and an amount for each valuation band (the City Council element) in accordance with Sections 31B and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, as amended
- (i) To set an amount of Council Tax for each valuation band in accordance with Section 30 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992

In considering the above items to consider:

- (j) a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Finance and Performance), Assistance Chief Executive (Communications, Customer Service and ICT) and the Head of Intelligence and Performance on the response to consultation on the budget (to follow)
- (k) a report of the Chief Executive, the City Treasurer and the City Solicitor containing revised budget calculations, as authorised by the Executive (enclosed).

6. Motion - Manchester: European City of Culture 2023

This Council notes:

the United Kingdom will be asked to nominate a European Capital of Culture in 2023.

that hosting a European Capital of Culture provides cities with an enormous opportunity to generate considerable cultural, social and economic benefits and legacies.

Liverpool benefited enormously from hosting the 2008 European Capital of Culture. The city saw: 9.7million visitors (a 34% increase); a £753.8m boost to the economy; a 10% rise each year in arts audiences; 5.5 million visitors at the seven largest attractions; 85% of residents say the city was a better place to live than before; massive amounts of positive media coverage that helped change perceptions.

that the selection procedure for the 2023 UK European Capital of Culture will begin in 2016 but preparations for a bid must begin well in advance to ensure the opportunity to host a truly unique and spectacular year of events and create a lasting legacy.

Manchester is a proud European and International City. The Guardian suggests "the city is arguably the most ethnically diverse in Europe". Manchester residents speak at least 153 languages.

Manchester has one of the most diverse and influential cultural scenes in Europe including the Manchester International Festival, the Halle and BBC Philharmonic Orchestras; Manchester Art Gallery; Whitworth Art Gallery; the Cornerhouse; Manchester Costume Gallery; the Manchester Museum; the People's History Museum; the National Football Museum; the Museum of Science and Industry; the Royal Exchange; the Palace Theatre; the Contact Theatre; the Bridgewater Hall; the Manchester Opera House; the Royal Northern College of Music; the Library Theatre company; a series of fantastic parades ranging from the Manchester Day Parade to the St Patrick's Day parade and Manchester Pride; a Caribbean Carnival; a Mega Mela; world class sports facilities; Manchester Arena; Manchester Central; Manchester Cathedral; Manchester Apollo; Manchester Academy; the Comedy Store; the Frog and Bucket; the Band on the Wall; a world class night-life and hundreds of cultural events and venues in communities.

This Council believes:

Manchester is already home to remarkable cultural activity and talent and would be the ideal European Capital of Culture in 2023. The city would be able to put on a world-class series of events and attractions for residents and visitors and would be best placed to ensure they have a lasting legacy for communities.

This Council:

Instructs the Chief Executive to produce a report for the Executive on how Manchester could put together a winning bid to host the 2023 European Capital of Culture including how to ensure long term benefits for Manchester residents.

(Signed by Councillor Chamberlain (proposer), Wheale (seconder) Di Mauro, Clayton and Hennigan)

Yours faithfully,



Sir Howard Bernstein
Chief Executive

Information about the Council

The Council is composed of 96 councillors with one third elected three years in four. Councillors are democratically accountable to residents of their ward. Their overriding duty is to the whole community, but they have a special duty to their constituents, including those who did not vote for them.

8 individuals with previous long service as councillors of the city have been appointed Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester and are entitled to attend every Council meeting. They do not however have a vote.

All councillors meet together as the Council under the chairship of the Lord Mayor of Manchester. There are seven meetings of the Council in each municipal year and they are open to the public. Here councillors decide the Council's overall strategic policies and set the budget each year.

Agenda, reports and minutes of all Council meetings can be found on the Council's website www.manchester.gov.uk

Members of the Council

Councillors –

Adams, Ahmed, Akbar, A. Ali, N. Ali, Sameen Ali, Shaukat Ali, Amesbury, Andrews, Austin, Barrett, R. Battle, Boyes, Chamberlain, Chappell, Chohan, Clayton, Cookson, Cooley, Cooper, Cowell, Cox, Craig, Curley, Davies, Di Mauro, Ellison, Evans, Fairweather, Fender, W. Fisher, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Gillard, Green, Grimshaw, Hackett, Hassan, Hennigan, Hewitson, Hitchen, Hughes, Hyde, Judge, Kamal, Karney, Keegan, Keller, Khan, Kirkpatrick, Lanchbury, Leese, Lewis, Longsdon, Loughman, Lone, Ludford, Lyons, Manco, Midgley, M. Murphy, N. Murphy, P. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, Ollerhead, Barbara O'Neil, Brian O'Neil, Paul, Peel, Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Royle, Siddiqi, Simcock, Shone, Smith, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Swannick, Tavernor, Taylor, Trotman, Walters, Watson and Wheale

Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester-

Gordon Conquest, William Egerton JP, Kenneth Franklin, Audrey Jones JP, Peter Morrison, Dame Kathleen Ollerenshaw, John Smith and Keith Whitmore

Further Information

For help, advice and information about this meeting please contact the Committee

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This summons was issued on **27 February 2014** by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit, Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA.