

7 October 2014

**Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,**

## **Meeting of the Council**

You are summoned to a meeting of the Council which will be held on Wednesday 15 October 2014 at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Level 2, Manchester Town Hall Extension.

### **1. The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business**

Including:

Presentation by Paul McGarry, Senior Strategy Officer for Public Health Manchester on Age Friendly Manchester.

Presentation by Linda Frost, Intelligence Advisor and Nigel Waddington, Senior Research Officer on State of the City.

### **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 the proceedings of the meeting held on 30 July 2014.

### **4. Proceedings of the Executive**

To submit the proceedings of the Executive on 3 September and 1 October 2014 (to follow) and in particular to consider:

#### **Exe/14/092 Bootle Street Acquisition**

To approve the following:

To recommend that Council approve an increase to the capital budget of £2.675m to be funded from the future capital receipt.

#### **Exe/14/105 London Road Fire Station**

To approve the following:

1. an increase to the capital budget of £60m for the redevelopment of the London Road Fire Station to be funded by prudential borrowing, in the event of a CPO being made and it being confirmed;
2. an increase to the capital budget of £2.250m to cover the costs associated with the preparation and execution of a CPO (if made), however, should the CPO be unsuccessful this will only require an increase of £1.75m;
3. an increase to the revenue budget of £0.5m to cover the associated holding costs, in the event of a CPO being made and it being confirmed; and
4. to delegate authority to the City Treasurer to drawdown the required level of Reserves (as detailed above) from the Capital Fund and authorise the City Treasurer to determine the Revenue and Capital split.

**5. Questions to Executive Members under Procedural Rule 23**

**6. Scrutiny Committees**

To note the minutes of the following committees:

Young People and Children – 26 August and 16 September 2014

Neighbourhoods – 26 August and 23 September 2014 (to follow)

Economy – 27 August, and 24 September 2014 (to follow)

Communities – 27 August, and 24 September 2014 (to follow)

Finance – 28 August and 25 September 2014 (to follow)

Health – 28 August and 25 September 2014

**7. Proceedings of Committees**

- a) To submit for approval the minutes of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 15 October 2014 (to be tabled) and consider any recommendations made by the Committee on membership of committees and appointments to outside bodies.
- b) To note the proceedings of the Personnel Committee held on 3 September 2014 and to approve the recommendation that the City Solicitor is authorised (in consultation with the Chief Executive) to make any consequential changes to the Management Structure in part 8 of the Constitution.
- c) To note the proceedings of the Personnel Committee on 16 September 2014 and to approve the remuneration in the region of £100k - £110k for the position of Deputy Strategic Director of Children's Services.
- d) To note the proceedings of the following meetings acting under delegated powers:

Audit Committee – 22 September 2014 (to follow)

Health and Wellbeing Board – 10 September 2014

Licensing and Appeals Committee – 29 September 2014  
Planning and Highways Committee – 14 August and 11 September  
2014

**8. Business of the Combined Authority, Joint Authorities and Joint Committees**

To receive answers to any questions raised in accordance with Procedural Rule 24 on the business of: (a) the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, (b) the Greater Manchester Fire and Civil Defence Authority, (c) the Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority, (d) the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee.

**9. Key Decisions**

The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed for members' information.

**10. Motion – Votes for 16 and 17 year olds**

We call on the City Council to:

1. Support the recent proposals by Manchester Youth Council to extend the franchise in all elections to 16 and 17 year olds.
2. Ask the government to back the policy announced by the Labour Party, in the spirit of their actions in the Scottish Referendum and extend the franchise in all elections to 16 and 17 year olds.
3. Work with Manchester Youth Council and Manchester Schools and Colleges to enhance citizenship education for all young people in Manchester.

(Proposed by Councillor Reeves, seconded by Councillor Smith and signed by Councillors Craig, Battle, Reid, Hyde, Priest, S. Murphy)

**11. Motion – Legal Highs**

Council notes the increase in use as a popular recreational drug of nitrous oxide commonly known as "Laughing Gas", the taking of which is not illegal.

The recreational use of "Laughing Gas" does have a detrimental effect on users health and can lead to oxygen deprivation, causing loss of blood pressure, fainting and heart attacks and prolonged use can cause anaemia, bone marrow suppression and poisoning of the nervous system.

The misuse of "laughing gas" coincides with an increasing use of legal highs which has seen deaths more than double in the last four years, recent figures reveal they killed more people in 2013 than ecstasy.

This council calls on the Chief Executive

- To initiate a public awareness campaign on the harmful effects of 'Laughing Gas' and other legal highs, funded from the public health budget.
- To lobby Government to introduce legislation that bans the sale of all 'psychoactive' (brain altering) drugs and then exempts some, such as alcohol and tobacco.

(Proposed by Councillor N Murphy, seconded by Councillor Shilton Godwin and signed by Councillors Hyde, Sameem Ali, Richards, Ollerhead, Ellison, Hitchen, Hacking, Reid, Azra Ali and Davies)

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H. Bernstein', written over a horizontal line.

**Sir Howard Bernstein**  
**Chief Executive**



## Information about the Council

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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.

Seven 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 on the decisions.

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 Council budget each year.

Agenda, reports and minutes of all Council meetings can be found on the Council's website [www.manchester.gov.uk](http://www.manchester.gov.uk)

## Members of the Council

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### **Councillors –**

Adams, Ahmed, Akbar, Ahmed Ali, Azra Ali, N. Ali, Sameen Ali, Shaukat Ali, Amesbury, Andrews, Austin, Barrett, R. Battle, Chappell, Chohan, Collins, Cookson, Cooley, Cooper, Cowell, Cox, Craig, Curley, Dar, Davies, Ellison, Evans, Fender, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Gillard, Green, Grimshaw, Hackett, Hacking, Hassan, Hewitson, Hitchen, Hughes, Hyde, Judge, Kamal, Karney, Keegan, Khan, Kirkpatrick, Knowles, Lanchbury, Leese, Lone, Longsdon, Loughman, Ludford, Lyons, Manco, Midgley, Monaghan, Moore, M. Murphy, N. Murphy, P. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, Noor, Ollerhead, Barbara O'Neil, Brian O'Neil, Paul, Peel, Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Rowles, Royle, Russell, Shilton Godwin, Siddiqi, Simcock, Shone, Smith, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Swannick, Teubler, Trotman, Watson and Wilson

### **Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester-**

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

## Further Information

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

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