



4 July 2017

Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,

Meeting of the Council – Wednesday 12 July 2017

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held on Wednesday 12 July at the rise of the extraordinary meeting of the Council, in the Council Chamber, Level 2, Manchester Town Hall Extension.

1. The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business
Including:

Presentation: Resilience and Emergency Planning by Dr Kathy Oldham (Head of GM Civil Contingencies and Resilience Unit) and Fiona Worrall (Director of Neighbourhoods).

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 minutes of the annual meeting held on 17 May 2017.

4. Proceedings of the Executive

To submit the minutes of the Executive on 17 May 2017 and 28 June 2017 (to follow) and in particular to consider:

Exe/17/090 Development of the City Council Digital Asset Base

1. that the Council approve a Capital Budget increase of £4.27m on top of the existing capital approval of £5.3m, relating to the refurbishment of OCP (£8.97m) and the fit-out of office Space known as 'Silver' at The Sharp Project (£0.6m), funded from prudential borrowing, the cost of which will be funded from increased rental income.
2. that the Council authorise the City Treasurer in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Finance and Human Resources to approve the capital budget and phasing of repayments subject to the development of a robust business case.

3. that the Council approve the carry forward request of £159,000 for the 2016/17 Space/Sharp surplus from 2016/17 to be transferred to the Manchester Creative Digital Assets Ltd company.

5. Questions to Executive Members under Procedural Rule 23

6. Scrutiny Committees

To note the minutes of the following committees:

Children and Young People – 20 June 2017

Health – 20 June 2017 (to follow)

Neighbourhoods and Environment – 21 June 2017 (to follow)

Economy – 21 June 2017

Communities and Equalities – 22 June 2017 (to follow)

Resources and Governance – 22 June 2017 (to follow)

7. Proceedings of Committees

To submit for approval the minutes of the following meetings and consider recommendations made by the committee:

Audit Committee – 23 June 2017 (to follow) and 27 June 2017 (to follow)

Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 12 July 2017 (to follow)

Planning and Highways Committee – 1 June 2017 and 29 June 2017 (to follow)

Standards Committee – 15 June 2017 (to follow)

Personnel Committee – 28 June 2017 (to follow)

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 Report

The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.

10. Notice of Motion – Manchester's Women

Through the dialogue with local communities following the Arena attack we know that women and girls from all backgrounds have been impacted.

Younger women and girls are fearful of being caught up in another attack and express concerns about going to places they would usually go to or want to go to.

Muslim women, particularly those identifiable by the clothing they wear have reported an increased fear of hate crime and reprisal attacks. Some have experienced hate crime or hate incidents directly and haven't always felt empowered to report this as many regard it as an ongoing pattern evident well before the attack.

All women need to feel safe to go about their daily lives and interact with others.

There is a need for encouraging women to speak out about their experiences and fears, to be listened to and to feel that they can report Hate Crime when and if it happens.

There is also a need for empowering the community to combat 'bystander apathy' and to harness people's capacity to safely practically support someone who is being targeted or is at risk of being targeted.

Women are strong influencers in their homes and in communities and it is recommended that the Council uses the principles embedded in the 'Our Manchester' strategy to:

- 1 Look at how we can amplify women's voices and listen to what they have to say;
- 2 Encourage them to come together as groups of women in a variety of local settings across the cultural and religious groupings;
- 3 Feel able to report incidents of hate crime, certain that they will be taken seriously;
- 4 Become more actively involved in shaping their communities and making decisions which positively impact on themselves and their families.

Proposed by Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillors Stogia, Razaq, Dar, Sarah Judge, and Nasrin Ali.

11. Notice of Motion – Tenants' Rights

Manchester City Council sends our sympathies to all those affected by the horrific and preventable deaths in the Grenfell Tower fire last month.

Council welcomes the swift action by Manchester housing providers and the Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service, in conjunction with the council, to assess and deal with fire risk in tower blocks in Manchester; and the establishment by GM Mayor Andy Burnham of a task force to provide building-by-building fire safety reassurance across Greater Manchester.

Thousands of renters across the country continue to live in unsafe or substandard conditions with limited means to hold their landlords accountable, and few opportunities to move on given the shortage of affordable housing.

Everyone has the right to safe accommodation. We welcome proposals in the Queen's Speech to ban fees to letting agents, but there is far more the Government must do to protect and support renters.

Manchester City Council will:

- write to Manchester housing providers asking for assurances on both fire safety and on how they respond to health and safety concerns raised by their tenants
- support and promote independent housing advice for everyone, regardless of housing status
- continue to explore landlord licensing and other methods to drive up housing standards
- explore the possibility of requiring property developers building housing in Manchester to publish their financial viability assessments, to encourage the building of more affordable housing.

We call on the GM Mayor to explore the possibility of a Greater Manchester 'name and shame' scheme for criminal landlords, like that introduced by the Mayor of London earlier this year.

We call on the government to take swift and effective action to strengthen accountability for tenants and renters; and to make all necessary support – including financial support – available to local authorities to help them deal with the scale of the fire safety challenge.

Proposed by Councillor Fletcher-Hackwood, seconded by Councillors Knowles, Reid, Craig and Nigel Murphy

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Joanne Roney', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Joanne Roney OBE
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.

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.

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 –

Akbar, Ahmed Ali, Azra Ali, N. Ali, Sameem Ali, Shaukat Ali, Alijah, Andrews, Appleby, Austin-Behan, Barrett, Battle, Bridges, Chappell, Chohan, Collins, Connolly, Cookson, Cooley, Craig, Curley, Dar, Davies, Ellison, Evans, Farrell, Fender, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Green, Grimshaw, Hacking, Hassan, Hewitson, Hitchen, Hughes, Igbon, S Judge, T Judge, Kamal, Karney, Kirkpatrick, Knowles, Lanchbury, Leech, Leese, Lone, Longsdon, Loughman, Lovecy, Ludford, Manco, Marshall, Midgley, Madeleine Monaghan, Mary Monaghan, Moore, N. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, Noor, Ollerhead, O'Neil, Paul, Peel, B Priest, H Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Rawson, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Rowles, Russell, Sadler, Sharif Mahamed, Sheikh, Shilton Godwin, Siddiqi, A Simcock, K Simcock, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Taylor, Teubler, Watson, Webb, Wills and Wilson. There is one vacant seat on the Council.

Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester –

Gordon Conquest, William Egerton JP, Audrey Jones JP, Peter Morrison, Paul Murphy OBE, John Smith and Keith Whitmore.

Further Information

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

Donald Connolly

Tel: 0161 234 3034

Fax: 0161 274 7017

Email: d.connolly@manchester.gov.uk

This summons was issued on **4 July 2017** by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit, Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA