



Tuesday, 22 November 2022

Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,

Meeting of the Council – Wednesday, 30th November, 2022

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 30th November, 2022, in The Council Chamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension.

1. The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business

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

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To submit for approval the minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2022.

4. Notice of Motion - Support the Climate and Ecology Bill

This summer, the UK has witnessed the highest temperatures on record, nine regions of drought zones and the driest July since 1935. Alongside this, there is the looming danger of the cost of living crisis with energy prices rising fourfold and experts predicting that two-thirds of the UK population will be under threat of fuel poverty by January 2023.

Our over-reliance on fossil fuels and the need for a transition to renewable energy has never been so clear.

Humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt in the UK and around the world. The global temperature has already increased by 1.2°C above pre-industrial levels, and the natural world has reached crisis point, with 28% of plants and animals threatened with extinction.

Council will be aware that the UN Environment report published last month, finds that there is currently no credible pathway to 1.5°C in place. In tandem with this there is a severe biodiversity crisis.

The UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world. More than one in seven of our plants and animals face extinction, and more than 40% are in decline. If we fail to halt and reverse biodiversity loss by 2030, we increase the risk of further pandemics, rising global temperatures and loss of species. The UK needs a legally enforceable nature target so that, by 2030, nature is visibly and measurably on the path to recovery, in line with the Global Goal for Nature.

This council notes that:

There is a Bill that was introduced into the current UK Parliament in May 2022 - the Climate and Ecology Bill - which, if it becomes law, would require the development of a strategy to ensure that the UK's environmental response is in line with the latest science.

The Bill is the only proposed legislation before the UK Parliament that ensures a comprehensive approach to the joint climate and nature emergency.

It would ensure that:

- The Paris Agreement aim is enshrined into law to ensure that the UK does its full and fair share to limit the global temperature rise to 1.5°C;
- We halt and reverse biodiversity loss by 2030 to ensure that the UK's ecosystems are protected and restored;
- The UK takes responsibility for its greenhouse gas footprint, including international aviation and shipping, and by accounting for consumption emissions related to the goods and services that are imported and consumed in the UK;
- The UK takes responsibility for its ecological footprint in order to better protect the health and resilience of ecosystems, including along domestic and global supply chains; and
- An independent, temporary Climate and Nature Assembly is set-up, representative of the UK population, to engage with the UK Parliament and UK Government to help develop the strategy. This would be setup on broadly similar lines to the Climate Assembly 2020 which was very successful and very well received on all sides of the political divide.

Over 130 MPs have publicly pledged their support for the Bill, including Greater Manchester MPs Debbie Abrahams, Rebecca

Long Bailey, Tony Lloyd and Barbara Keeley. Over 200 councils have vouched their backing of the Bill together with two in Greater Manchester.

When Rishi Sunak was appointed Prime Minister, he made the disgraceful decision to shun COP27. It was only after intense pressure from politicians and activist groups that he finally gave in and turned up at the conference. This shows that with enough pressure from MPs and councils, even this Tory government can sometimes be shamed into doing the right thing.

Therefore, this council resolves to:-

- (1) Support the Climate and Ecology Bill;
- (2) Write to Manchester MPs Mike Kane, Afzal Khan, Lucy Powell, Jeff Smith and Graham Stringer, letting them know that this motion has been passed, and urging them to sign up to support the Bill; and
- (3) Write to Zero Hour, the organisers of the cross-party campaign for the Bill, expressing its support (joinus@ceebill.uk).

Proposed by Councillor Nunney, seconded by Councillor Johnson and supported by Councillors Bayunu, Good and Leech.

5. Notice of Motion - Late night trams and a better service

This Council notes that since Covid shuttered the world, our city has bounced back in a big way. Gigs, restaurants, clubbing, and festivals have blossomed in the wake of the pandemic with millions flocking to Greater Manchester to pursue this entertainment.

If you are out working, or enjoying yourself late at night, residents face a curfew for the tram, expensive taxis, or a risky walk home in the dark.

Ella Watson, a local resident in London, successfully campaigned to get the night tube reinstated to increase women's safety in the city. The night tube is currently running on Friday and Saturday nights on the Central, Jubilee, Northern and Victoria lines. When it's fully operational, the Night Tube runs on Fridays and Saturdays on the Victoria, Jubilee, and most of the Central, Northern and Piccadilly lines.

Since November 2021 the night tube continues to be successful and has surpassed fears that it would have limited customers. The service runs at an off peak cost. Concerns that there won't be enough passengers can be compared to the later running airport line which is much used as the "last tram" home for many. An expansion to service does not mean less use and many users use a day ticket which runs for the whole service. A late-night

level of access to Greater Manchester's Tram services is the best transport option to ensure thousands of women across the region can get home safely in the evenings and at night.

Metrolink has seen a growth in levels of service users on the tram network. Millions enjoy and work as part of the City's famous and vibrant night-time economy. Let's provide a commuter service that extends beyond the 9 – 5 for our hospitality workers.

The population of Greater Manchester is projected to rapidly increase in the coming years as more and more people move to our city. We must have the responsibility and foresight to put into practice safe and accessible public transport. Salford City Council has passed a motion calling for a 3-month trial of a night tram on Eccles via Media City to Ashton-under-Lyne.

This Council resolves to:-

- (1) Congratulate Ella Watson on her work to restore the Night tube and help pursue safe late-night travel for people in Greater London.
- (2) Ask Transport for Greater Manchester to run a 3 month trial of the night tram on the Eccles via Media City to Ashton-under-Lyne service, and to monitor its success.
- (3) Ask the Mayor of Greater Manchester to support this trial.

Proposed by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Johnson and supported by Councillors Bayunu, Leech and Nunney.

6. Notice of Motion - Call an immediate general election to end the chaos of the Conservative government

This Council notes that over the last 12 years the Conservative government has caused immeasurable damage to the residents of Manchester and the entire United Kingdom including:-

- The unprecedented Government public service cuts, increased costs from spiralling inflation, increased demand for services, higher energy costs have left our economy on its knees, and the vulnerable, most at need and hard-working residents, families and households shoulder the impact of funding shortfalls
- The housing crisis leaving millions forced to live in unsafe and uninhabitable properties as shocking conditions are being endured by households despairing at the lack of action, increasing mortgage and rental payments, while younger generations are unable to enter the housing market;
- The NHS struggling to cope with record demand and waiting times, social care services are stretched to the limit without a plan to put the health and social care system on a sustainable footing;

- The justice system in crisis with court backlogs reaching unprecedented levels, leaving victims, witnesses and defendants waiting years for justice, with rising crime and fewer police;
- The signature “levelling up agenda”, is just empty rhetoric as inequalities widen;
- The slow progress on developing long term regulatory strategies post- Brexit reducing the UK’s competitiveness, productivity and openness to trade with the world largest trading bloc and reduced British influence in the world;
- The misconduct in public office through a series of scandals including holding parties at 10 Downing Street during Covid lockdowns and the failure to deal with misconduct in ministerial office by senior Conservative MPs; and
- The mismanagement of the economy, real terms reductions in salaries, the devaluation of sterling.

This Council believes:-

- The economic, political and environmental permacrisis and state of flux indicate that despite the attempts of four prime ministers since 2016, a succession of chancellors, secretaries of state, and u-turns the government has run out of ideas, credibility, and confidence having spectacularly failed to deliver on its own promises;
- Despite the financial challenges over the last decade, Manchester Labour and our Council staff have worked tirelessly to challenge the government to provide a fairer funding settlement and ensure Manchester remains a great place to live, work and play, and remain ambitious for the future of the City;
- The Conservative government is implementing a programme far removed from the 2019 manifesto, written before the pandemic and current economic crisis
- The City has no confidence in the new UK Prime Minister and Government to act in the best interests of the citizens of Manchester and the UK; and
- Any “difficult decisions on the public finances” and further sacrifices by the British public should be subject to a new mandate that has gained public endorsement and constitutional recognition

This Council resolves to:-

- (1) Ask the Leader of the Council to write to the Chair of the LGA to request all local leaders who over the last 12 years have worked tirelessly for their places to impose maximum pressure on the government to call a general election.
- (2) Ask the Leader of the Council to write to Sir Keir Starmer, Leader of Her Majesty’s Official Opposition; Nicola Sturgeon, Scottish First Minister; Ian Blackford, Leader of

the SNP at Westminster and Ed Davey, Leader of the Liberal Democrats urging them to support any motion tabled to stop this blatant abuse of power.

- (3) Ask the Leader of the Council to call on Councillors and MPs of all parties to put our country and our community first and demand an immediate general election so the public can decide on the future of Britain.

Proposed by Councillor Stogia, seconded by Councillor Richards and supported by Councillors Ilyas, Chambers, Kamal, Reid and Simcock

7. Proceedings of the Executive

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To submit the minutes of the Executive on 19 October 2022 and 16 November 2022 and in particular to consider:

Exe/22/83 Factory International

- Recommend to Council to approve a Capital Budget increase for Factory International of £25.2m funded by:
 - £10m from the Council's capital scheme inflation provision
 - £15.2m to be met from borrowing

This will increase the total capital budget for the construction of Factory International from £185.6m to £210.8m

- Recommend to Council to underwrite the £7.8m increased costs of Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (FFE) of Factory International from capital receipts and note that the venue will not be able to operate without this investment to enable the equipment to be in place.

Exe/22/95 Capital Programme update

Recommend that the Council approve the following changes to Manchester City Council's capital programme:

- Growth and Development - Back of Ancoats Mobility Hub. A capital budget virement of £3.739m from the Inflation Budget.

8. Questions to Executive Members and Others under Procedural Rule 23

To receive answers to any questions that councillors have raised in accordance with Procedural Rule 23.

9. Scrutiny Committees

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To note the minutes of the following committees:

Communities & Equalities – 11 October & 8 November 2022 (to follow)

Resources & Governance – 11 October & 8 November 2022

Health – 12 October & 9 November 2022

Children & Young People – 12 October & 9 November 2022 (to follow)

Environment & Climate Change – 13 October & 10 November 2022

Economy – 13 October & 10 November 2022

10. Proceedings of Committees

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

Audit Committee – 18 October 2022

Personnel Committee – 19 October 2022

Planning and Highways Committee – 20 October and 17 November 2022

Health and Wellbeing Board – 2 November 2022

Standards Committee – 3 November 2022

Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 30 November 2022 (to be tabled)

11. Establishment of a Greater Manchester Clean Air Joint Scrutiny Committee

Report to follow.

12. Constitution of the Council

The report of the City Solicitor is to follow.

13. Key Decisions Report

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The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed.

Yours faithfully,



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.

Six 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:-

Ludford (Chair), Y Dar (Deputy Chair), Abdullatif, Akbar, Azra Ali, Ahmed Ali, Nasrin Ali, Shaukat Ali, Alijah, Amin, Andrews, Appleby, Baker-Smith, Bano, Bayunu, Bell, Benham, Bridges, Butt, Chambers, Chohan, Collins, Connolly, Cooley, Craig, Curley, M Dar, Davies, Doswell, Douglas, Evans, Flanagan, Foley, Gartside, Good, Green, Grimshaw, Hacking, Hassan, Hewitson, Hilal, Hitchen, Holt, Hughes, Hussain, Igbon, Ilyas, Iqbal, Jeavons, Johns, Johnson, T Judge, Kamal, Karney, Kirkpatrick, Lanchbury, Leech, J Lovecy, Lynch, Lyons, McHale, Midgley, Moran, Newman, Noor, Nunney, Ogunbambo, B Priest, H Priest, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Rawson, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Riasat, Richards, I Robinson, T Robinson, Rowles, Russell, Sadler, M Sharif Mahamed, Sheikh, Shilton Godwin, Simcock, Stanton, Stogia, Taylor, Wheeler, Whiston, White, Wills, Wilson and Wright

Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester –

Hugh Barrett, Andrew Fender, Audrey Jones JP, Paul Murphy OBE, Nilofar Siddiqi and Keith Whitmore.

Further Information

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