



COUNCIL

SUMMONS

To the Mayor and Members of Carlisle City Council

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of Carlisle City Council which will be held on **Tuesday, 11 October 2022** at **18:45**, in the **Cathedral Room, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG**

Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services

AGENDA

1. The Mayor will invite the Chaplain to say prayers.
2. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive will open the meeting by calling the roll.

3. **Minutes**

The Council will be asked to receive the Minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on 19 July 2022.

4. **Public and Press**

To determine whether any of the items of business within Part A of the Agenda should be dealt with when the public and press are excluded from the meeting.

To determine whether any of the items of business within Part B of the Agenda should be dealt with when the public and press are present.

5. Declarations of Interest

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests and any interests, relating to any item on the agenda at this stage.

6. Announcements

- (i) To receive any announcements from the Mayor
- (ii) To receive any announcements from the Leader of the Council
- (iii) To receive any announcements from Members of the Executive
- (iv) To receive any announcements from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive

7. Questions by Members of the Public

Any views or opinions expressed in the question set out in this Agenda paper are those of the person submitting the question and do not necessarily reflect the position, views or opinions of the Council.

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.1, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report receipt of the following question submitted on notice by a member of the public:

“1. Unless the Executive approve budget to keep the Turkish Baths open they will close when GLL cease to be responsible for the James Street Baths in October. Historic England Guidelines on Managing Risks in Vacant Historic Buildings, requires that prior to mothballing the Turkish Baths, the Council should undertake an 'investment appraisal' to take account of the costs, risks and legal responsibilities arising from leaving a building unmaintained and unsecured. Has the City Council undertaken an investment appraisal of the Turkish Baths?

2. Last year Carlisle, and the other Cumbria local authorities, received a grant of £70,000 from Historic England to establish a Local List of Heritage Assets. The criteria for the list is much broader than the national criteria for listed buildings and will therefore contain many more buildings of architectural, historic or archaeological interest. Nominations were to be considered by a

panel of representatives from local councils and heritage groups this spring.

When will the 'Local List of Heritage Assets for Carlisle District' be published?"

8. Presentation of Petitions and Deputations

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.11, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report that no petitions or deputations have been submitted by members of the public.

9. Questions from Members of the Council

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11.2, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report that the following question has been submitted on notice by Councillor Pickstone:

"Could the Leader, or the appropriate Cabinet Member, inform members whether the Council has plans to work with partners to ensure that there are 'warm hubs' or 'heat banks' across the City in the coming winter. As the Leader will be aware, many people, including many vulnerable people, will be struggling with heating bills. Other Council areas are ensuring that there are buildings designated as 'warm hubs'. Is this something we can achieve in Carlisle working with our partners at the County Council, with Town and Parish Councils, village halls and community groups?"

10. Minutes of the Executive

The Council will be requested to receive the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held 25 July and 30 August 2022 and ask questions of the Leader and Portfolio Holder on those Minutes.

11. Executive - Portfolio Holder Reports

The Council will be asked to receive reports from the following Portfolio Holders and ask questions of the Leader and Portfolio Holders on those reports:

11.(i) Culture, Hertiage and Leisure

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11.(ii) Communities, Health and Wellbeing

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11.(iii) Environment and Transport 17 - 18

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11.(iv) Economy, Enterprise and Housing 19 - 22

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11.(v) Finance, Governance and Resources 23 - 24

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11.(vi) Leader's Portfolio 25 - 28

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12. Minutes

The Council will be asked to receive the Minutes of the meetings as detailed within Minute Book Volume 49(2) (as previously circulated); and ask questions of the Leader, Portfolio Holders and Committee Chairs.

For ease of reference the Minutes are:

Committee	Meeting Date
People Panel	14 July 2022
Place Panel	21 July 2022
Regulatory Panel	6 July, 21 July and 17 August 2022
Licensing Committee	6 July 2022
Development Control Committee	22 June, 24 June, 3 August and 5 August 2022
Audit Committee	8 July and 27 July 2022

13. Scrutiny

The Council will be asked to receive reports from the following:

13.(i) Chair of People Panel 29 - 30

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13.(ii) Chair of Place Panel 31 - 32

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13.(iii) Chair of Resources Panel 33 - 36

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14. Notice of Motion

1. Cost of Living Crisis

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report that the following motion has been submitted on notice by Councillor Alcroft:

“Carlisle City Council notes the severe financial pressures facing many households at this time. Though this has been acknowledged nationally, with some actions proposed, the likelihood is that these pressures will increase significantly in the coming months.

The Council therefore calls on its members to declare a *Cost of Living Crisis* within Carlisle and to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer asking him to urge the government to bring forward additional solutions, both short and long term, to alleviate the immense pressures households across Carlisle and the country are experiencing.”

2. Proportional Representation

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report that the following motion has been submitted on notice by Councillor Dr Davison:

“Carlisle City Council notes that:

Decisions central government makes around legislation and funding, and its wider political ethos, impact across all aspects of council functioning. They manifest in the need for services in our community and the capacity and ability of council to provide services. It is, therefore, in the best interests of our residents that we have a fair electoral system that produces the best quality representative government possible.

First Past the Post (FPTP) voting, used to elect our MPs, is archaic, unfair and unrepresentative of the way in which our communities cast their votes.

FPTP originated when land-owning aristocrats dominated parliament and voting was restricted to property-owning men.

In Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use single-round FPTP for general elections. Meanwhile, internationally, Proportional Representation (PR) is used to elect parliaments in more than 80 countries. Those countries tend to be more equal, freer, consensual and greener.

PR ensures all votes count, have equal value, and those seats won match votes cast. Under PR, MPs and Parliaments better reflect the age, gender and protected characteristics of local communities and the nation.

MPs better reflecting our communities leads to improved decision-making, wider participation and increased levels of ownership of decisions taken.

PR would end minority rule, which is the norm with FPTP. In 2019, 43.6% of the vote produced a government with 56.2% of the seats and 100% of the power.

PR also, critically, prevents 'wrong winner' elections such as occurred in 1951 and February 1974.

Both main UK parties have campaigns for electoral reform to replace FPTP with a PR based voting system, Conservative Action for Electoral Reform (<https://conservativeelectoralreform.org.uk/>) and Labour Campaign for Electoral Reform (<https://labourforelectoralreform.org.uk/>) respectively.

PR is already used to elect the parliaments and assemblies of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, leaving Westminster lagging behind.

Carlisle City Council therefore calls on the leader of council to write to H.M. Government calling for a change in our outdated electoral laws to enable Proportional Representation to be used for general elections."

3. Cost of Living Support

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services to report that the following motion has been submitted on notice by Councillor Brown:

"We propose that this Council sets aside a fund of £110,000 to support households facing fuel poverty across Carlisle this winter. Energy costs are spiralling leaving many unable to pay these bills. The fund would be administered by Carlisle CACE who have experience of this type of scheme. The £110,000 would include all scheme administration costs and the grants would be limited to a

maximum of £100 per household. The allocation would not be time limited. This funding would be subject to a grant funding agreement and be in addition to any support scheme central government or the County Council may introduce”

15. Proposals from the Executive in relation to the Council's Budget and Policy Framework

15.(i) Carlisle Town Deal 37 - 48

Pursuant to Minute EX.95/22, to consider recommendations from the Executive concerning the Town Deal Programme.
(Copy Report ED.2422 and Minute Extract herewith)

16. Civic and Ceremonial Issues Arising from LGR 49 - 58

To consider a report of the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services regarding a number of Civic and Ceremonial issues which needed to be dealt with as a result of LGR.
(Copy Report GD.55/22 herewith)

17. Proposed Change to Scrutiny Panel Remits 59 - 64

To consider a report of the Monitoring Officer detailing proposed changes to the Scrutiny Panel remits in the City Council Constitution.
(Copy Report GD.54/22 and Minute Extract herewith)

18. Communications

To receive and consider communications and to deal with such other business as may be brought forward by the Mayor as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Procedure Rule 2.1(xv) to pass such resolution or resolutions thereon as may be considered expedient or desirable.

PART 'B'

To be considered in private

19. Proposals from the Executive in relation to the Council's Budget and Policy Framework

19.(i) Carlisle Station Gateway

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Pursuant to Minute EX.102/22 to consider recommendations from the Executive concerning the Carlisle Station Gateway.
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