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Dear Sir/Madam

#### COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 15 JANUARY 2002 AT 6.45 PM

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of Carlisle City Council which will be held at 6.45 pm on Tuesday 15 January 2002 in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Carlisle.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. The Mayor will invite the Chaplain to the City Council to open the meeting with prayers.
- 2. The Town Clerk and Chief Executive will call the roll.

#### 3. Minutes

The Council will be asked to receive the Minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on 30 October 2001.

#### Public and Press 4.

- (a) 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.
- (b) 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.



#### Declarations of Interest

Members are invited to declare any pecuniary or non pecuniary interests relating to any item on the Agenda at this stage.

#### Announcements

- (a) To receive any announcements from The Mayor.
- (b) To receive any announcements from the Leader of the Council.
- (c) To receive any announcements from Members of the Executive.
- (d) To receive any announcements from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

### Questions by Members of the Public and Presentation of Petitions and Deputations

#### (a) Questions

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.1 the Town Clerk and Chief Executive to report that no questions had been submitted by members of the public.

#### (b) Petition - Rydal Street

(i) Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.11 the Town Clerk and Chief Executive to report the receipt of a Petition containing more than 30 signatures submitted by Residents of Rydal Street, calling on the City Council to resolve the problems caused to residents adjacent to the Rydal Street playground.

The organisers of the petition have been invited to address the Council on the subject of the Petition and have nominated P C McGuire to speak on their behalf.

(Copy sample page of Petition herewith)

- (ii) There will be an opportunity for Ward Councillors to address the Council on the subject of the Petition.
- (iii) The Portfolio Holder will present a report prepared on the subject of the Petition.

(Copy Report herewith)

#### (c) Petition - Animal Health Bill

(i) Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.11 the Town Clerk and Chief Executive to report the receipt of a petition containing more than 30 signatures calling on the City Council to act on behalf and in support of Farmers, Smallholders and Members of the Local Community in North Cumbria, in opposing the Animal Health Bill of 22 October.

A representative of the Petitioners has been invited to address the Council on the subject of the Petition, and it has been indicated that they will take up that invitation.

(Copy Letter and Sample Page of Petition herewith)

(ii) The Portfolio Holder will present a report prepared on the subject of the Petition.

(Copy Report herewith)

#### Business from the Last Council Meeting

Pursuant to Minute C.194/01(b) to consider the nomination of a Minor Authority Representative to serve on the Governing Body of the Belle Vue Infant School.

#### Questions by Members

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11(2) Councillor Boaden to ask the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing:

"Pursuant to EX.53/01 Leisuretime Best Value Fundamental Performance Review Part C of decision.

Could the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing explain what is meant by a possible post-externalisation capital injection into the Leisuretime facilities?"

#### 10. Questions by Members

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11(2) Councillor Mrs Bradley to ask the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing:

"Would the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing agree with the Labour Group on Carlisle City Council that the land which is made available for future development by demolition of Council owned properties (at, for instance, Raffles)

should be retained by the City for development by either a Superstore or other potential partners?"

#### 11. Questions by Members

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11(2) Councillor Weber to ask the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Infrastructure Environment & Transport:

"In view of the proposed changes to the Stagecoach bus timetable and routes, which will have a significant impact on the urban area, would the Portfolio Holder for Infrastructure agree to arranging a cross party delegation to meet with representatives of Stagecoach to discuss the proposed alterations?"

#### 12. Executive Minutes

The Council will be asked to receive the Minutes of the following meetings of the Executive and to ask questions of the Leader and Portfolio Holders, and receive reports from Portfolio Holders:

#### **Minutes**

#### Executive - 5 November, 26 November, 12 & 17 December 2001

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11 to receive the Minutes of the Executive Meetings held on 5 and 26 November, 12 and 17 December 2001, and to ask questions of the Leader or the relevant Portfolio Holder on those Minutes.

#### Executive Reports

To receive reports from the following Portfolio Holders and to receive questions and answers on those reports :

- (i) Community Activities
- (ii) Health and Wellbeing
- (iii) Corporate Resources
- (iv) Strategy and Performance
- (v) Finance and Resources
- (vi) Promoting Carlisle
- (vii) Economic Prosperity
- (viii) Infrastructure Environment and Transport

(Copy Reports herewith)

#### 14. Overview and Scrutiny

The Council will be asked to receive the Minutes of the following Meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee and Overview and Scrutiny Committees, and to ask questions of the Chairmen and receive Reports from the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees:

#### (a) Minutes: Overview and Scrutiny Committees

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of:

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 25 October, 22 November and 20 December 2001.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee Community held on 24 October and 29 November 2001.

Overview and Scrutiny Corporate Resources held on 25 October and 6 December 2001.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Infrastructure held on 1 November and 13 December 2001.

- (b) To receive Reports from the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees and ask questions thereon
  - (i) Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
  - (ii) Overview and Scrutiny Committee Community\*
  - (iii) Overview and Scrutiny Committee Resources
  - (iv) Overview and Scrutiny Committee Infrastructure

(Copy Reports herewith) (\*To follow)

#### 15. Licensing and Regulatory Panel

To receive the Minutes of the Meetings of the Licensing and Regulatory Panel held on 7 November and 5 December 2001.

#### 16. Development Control Committee

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 31 October, 2 November, 12 and 14 December 2001.

#### 17. Appeals Panels

To receive the Minutes of the Meetings of the Appeals Panels held on 20 December 2001.

#### 18. Standards Committee

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the Standards Committee held on 19 December 2001.

#### 19. Motions

#### (a) Bus Services

To consider the following motion from Councillor Guest which has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 12:

"This Council believes that the proposed service alterations and changes to timetables by Stagecoach (Cumberland) are counter-productive, and contrary to Local Agenda 21 policies.

This Council opposes the proposed service alterations and changes to timetables by Stagecoach (Cumberland) in view of the above, and its duty to the public".

#### (b) Crime

To consider the following motion from Councillor Blackadder which has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 12:

"Whilst this Council supports the role our under resourced and over stretched Police Force have in the war against crime within our county..

All too often the victims of crime and the distress that crime causes seems to be ignored, whilst a certain degree of leniency seems to be afforded to the criminals.

This Council now calls upon the Government to honour one of its first election pledges and be tough on crime and tough on the causes of crime, whilst giving the Police Force adequate resources to implement an effective victim support strategy".

#### (c) Anti Social Drinking

To consider the following motion from Councillor Farmer which has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 12:

"The Council requests Officers and the Carlisle District Community Safety Strategic Group to :

Investigate the possibility of using the powers available under the Criminal Justice & Police Act 2001 to deal with anti-social drinking in designated areas where nuisance has been caused to the public.

Report back to the Council on whether these powers could assist in reducing public nuisance and disorder".

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

The following Executive matters contain references to Council for decision or instruct me to circulate Reports for Information to Members, and Reports are enclosed for Members of the City Council as appropriate:

## (a) <u>Leisuretime Best Value Fundamental Performance Review</u> <u>Improvement Plan</u>

Pursuant to Minute EX.53/01 to consider the Leisuretime Improvement Plan which was referred to the full City Council by the Executive.

(Copy Report herewith)

#### (b) Calculation of Council Tax Base 2002/03

Pursuant to Minute EX.110/01 to consider the City Treasurer's Report on the calculation of Council Tax Base for 2002/03 as recommended to the City Council by the Executive.

(Copy Financial Memo 2001/02 No.125 herewith)

#### (c) <u>Irishgate Bridge Lifts</u>

Pursuant to Minute EX.117/01 to consider a request from the Executive that the City Council provide a supplementary estimate of £35,150 (subject to the outcome of the consultation with English Heritage on the design of lift shutters) to fund the improvement works to the Irishgate Bridge lifts and steps.

(Copy Report TC.244/01 herewith)

#### 21. Adoption of Model Code of Conduct for Members

Pursuant to Minute ST.12/01 to consider the recommendations from the Standards Committee with regards to the procedures for the Adoption of the Model Code of Conduct for Members.

(Copy Report TC.241/01 amended herewith)

#### 22. Decisions taken as a matter of urgency

Pursuant to Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 15(i) the City Solicitor and Secretary to report on Decisions PF.6/01 and EX.71/01which were taken as urgent decisions and dealt with as matters of urgency without the need for call-in.

It is a requirement under the above Procedure Rules for decisions taken as a matter of urgency to be reported to the next available meeting of the City Council. (Copy Report TC.9/02 herewith)

# 23. Amendments to the Officer Employment Procedure Rules and Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules in the Constitution

To consider a Report of the City Solicitor and Secretary regarding revisions to the Officer Employment Procedure Rules and the Budget and Policy Framework Rules, which form part of the Constitution to ensure that they reflect the new mandatory provisions set out in the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) Regulations 2001.

(Copy Report TC.237/01 herewith)

#### 24. Representatives on Outside Bodies

Under Minute C.194/01 Ms Preston was appointed to serve as a Trustee on the Mary Hannah Almshouses until February 2002. The Council are asked to consider the nomination of a representative to serve on the Trust for a period of 4 years. Ms Preston is eligible for reappointment.

#### 25. Communications

To receive and consider communications, if any, and deal with such other business as may be brought forward by the Mayor as a matter of urgency.

PART 'B' Nil

Yours faithfully

City Solicitor and Secretary

John Egan

#### Note to Members:

The Mayor has invited Members of the Cumbria Deaf Association to attend the meeting. The people are profoundly deaf and arrangements have been made for an interpreter to sign the meeting for them. Members are asked to bear these arrangements in mind during the Council proceedings.