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**Dear Councillor** 

# **COUNCIL MEETING - 21 OCTOBER 2014**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Bradford, on Tuesday, 21 October 2014 at 1600.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

City Solicitor

Notes:

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# **AGENDA**

#### A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

# 1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of Constitution)

To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it only becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

# Notes:

- (1) Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.
- (2) Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (3) Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.

# 2. MINUTES

#### Recommended -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 July 2014 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

# 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

# 4. WRITTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LORD MAYOR (Standing Order 4)

(To be circulated before the meeting).

# 5. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

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If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Adrian Tumber - 01274 432435)

#### **B. BUSINESS ITEMS**

# 6. **PETITIONS** (Standing Order 11)

Ward

To consider up to five requests for the Council to receive petitions in accordance with Standing Orders.

(i) St Paul's Road/Wellington Crescent, Shipley – Residents only parking, **Shipley** 20mph speed limit and access only

If any further requests are received, in writing, by mid-day three working days before the meeting (Thursday), details will be circulated.

(Palbinder Sandhu- 01274 432269)

# 7. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** (Standing Order 13)

A question has been received which is set out in **Document "D"**.

The Lord Mayor will invite the Leader of Council to respond to the question or nominate a member of Council to respond.

(Palbinder Sandhu- 01274 432269)

# 8. **MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND JOINT COMMITTEES** (Standing Order 4)

# Recommended -

That the appointment of the following non-voting co-opted representatives to the Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the 2014/15 Municipal Year be confirmed:—

# Julia Pearson, Bradford Environmental Forum Nicola Hoggart, Environment Agency

To consider any further motions (i) to appoint members to a Committee or a Joint Committee; or (ii) to appoint Chairs or Deputy Chairs of Committees (excluding Area Committees).

# 9. **MEMBER QUESTION TIME** (Standing Order 12)

To deal with supplementary questions arising from the attached questions of which written notice has been given.

#### Notes:

- (i) Answers to written questions shall be circulated at the commencement of the meeting.
- (ii) The Lord Mayor will have regard to the list of questions and the political composition of the Council in calling on Members to put their supplementary question to the Leader of Council and Portfolio Holders.
- (iii) A period of up to 30 minutes shall be available for supplementary questions to Members of the Executive.

# 10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES** (Standing Order 15)

#### 10A MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2015-16 TO 2017-18 AND BEYOND

Previous reference: Executive Minute 19 (2013/14)

On 22 July 2014 the Executive considered a report of the Director of Finance (Executive Document "H") presenting the Medium Term Financial Strategy which focuses on how the Council intends to respond to the forecasted financial challenge it faces in both the medium term up to 2017-18 and beyond. It sets out the approaches and principles that will be followed to ensure the Council remains financially viable and delivers sustainable public services in line with its priorities. The Strategy was recommended to Council for approval.

#### Recommended -

That the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015/16 to 2017/18 be approved.

(Sarah Kirk - 01274 434055)

# 10B FOOD SAFETY IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT

Previous reference: Executive Minute 31 (2013/14)

On 16 September 2014 the Executive considered a report of the Interim Strategic Director Environment and Sport (**Executive Document "Q"**) on the requirement by the Food Standards Agency to have a documented and approved Food Safety Service Plan in place. The Plan was referred to Council for formal approval.

# Recommended -

That the Food Safety Service Plan be approved.

(Ruth Lees - 01274 431349)

# 10C APPOINTMENT OF THE POST OF INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE

On the 2 October 2014 the Appointment Panel met and undertook interviews for the post of Interim Chief Executive. The report of the Interim Head of Human Resources (**Document** "E") asks Council to approve the Panel's recommendation to appoint Suzan Hemingway, City Solicitor, to the post of Interim Chief Executive on the salary package as detailed in this report and in accordance with the Council's Pay Policy Statement.

Council is also asked to designate the post of Assistant City Solicitor as Monitoring Officer and Deputy Returning Officer, and to delegate all other proper officer functions of the City Solicitor and/or Monitoring Officer to the Assistant City Solicitor for the term of office of the Interim Chief Executive.

# Recommended -

- (1) That the Council approves the appointment of Suzan Hemingway as Interim Chief Executive.
- (2) That the Council confirms that they are in agreement with the proposal to appoint to the position of Interim Chief Executive on the salary package as detailed in paragraphs 2.5 and 4.1 of this Report and in accordance with the Council's Pay Policy Statement 2014/15.
- (3) That Council designates the post of Assistant City Solicitor, as Monitoring Officer, pursuant to Section 5 Local Government and Housing Act 1989 for the term of office of the Interim Chief Executive.
- (4) That Council designates the post of Assistant City Solicitor as the proper officer to fulfil the role of Deputy Returning Officer for the term of office of the Interim Chief Executive.
- (5) That Council delegates to the Assistant City Solicitor for the term of office of the Interim Chief Executive all proper officer functions which are delegated in the Constitution to the City Solicitor and/or Monitoring Officer.

(Matt Burghardt - 01274 436135)

# 10D APPROVAL OF THE SALARY PACKAGES FOR THE POSTS OF STRATEGIC DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT AND SPORT AND STRATEGIC DIRECTOR REGENERATION AND CULTURE

On the 2 October 2014 the Appointment Panel met and undertook interviews for the post of Strategic Director Environment and Sport. The successful candidate was appointed subject to Council's approval of the salary package.

On the 8 October 2014 the Appointment Panel met and undertook interviews for the post of Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture. The successful candidate was appointed subject to Council's approval of the salary package.

The report of the Chief Executive (**Document "F"**) asks Council to approve the salary packages for the positions of Strategic Director, Environment and Sport and Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture in accordance with Section 7 of the Council's Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2014/15.

#### Recommended -

That the Council confirms that they are in agreement with the proposal to appoint to the positions of Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture and Strategic Director, Environment and Sport on the salary packages detailed in paragraphs 2.8 and 2.13 of this Report and in accordance with the Council's Pay Policy Statement 2014/15.

(Tony Reeves - 01274 432002)

#### 10E USE OF COUNCIL RESOURCES FOR ELECTION PURPOSES

On the 10 October 2014 the Governance and Audit Committee considered the report of the Monitoring Officer (Governance and Audit Committee Document "Q") which contains the following recommendation:

- (1) That it is recommended to Full Council that Members of Council consider the issues raised in this report and acknowledge the actions taken to establish the facts and the risk identified as a result thereof.
- (2) That specific advice is provided to all Members who are candidates or agents in a local election to remind them that Council resources must not be used to produce election publicity material.
- (3) That the guidance provided to all senior managers and Members of Council is specifically circulated to all employees who have a direct working relationship with Members and their managers with an instruction to managers to discuss the specific obligations with individual members of staff.

The Governance and Audit Committee resolved:

That a further report be submitted to this Committee on 21 November 2014 which addresses the issues raised at this meeting and that the revised report be recommended to Council at its meeting on 9 December 2014.

Council is asked to decide if it wishes to agree the recommendations in the Monitoring Officer's report or amend the recommendations or agree the Governance and Audit Committee's resolution.

(Suzan Hemingway - 01274 432496)

10F To consider any recommendations (if any) arising from meetings of the Executive and Committees held after the publication of this agenda and prior to the Council meeting.

# 11. **NOTICES OF MOTION** (Standing Order 17)

To consider the attached motions of which notice has been given.

# 12. AMENDMENT OF MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME

The report of the City Solicitor (**Document "G"**) recommends an amendment to the Council's Members' Allowances Scheme in relation to the Special Responsibility Allowance paid to the Council's representatives on the Police and Crime Panel.

# Recommended -

- (1) That the Council considers the report of the ad-hoc Independent Remuneration Panel and approves the recommendations set out in that report.
- (2) That the Bradford Council Scheme of Allowances for Members be amended to reflect the recommendations of the IRP to be implemented from the date of this Council meeting.

(Suzan Hemingway - 01274 432496)

# 13. REVIEW OF POLLING ARRANGEMENTS

The report of the Chief Executive (**Document "H"**) reviews polling provision and makes proposals for change, if necessary. It contains a summary of the findings and the Returning Officer's recommendations affecting polling district boundaries, polling places and polling stations.

#### Recommended -

- (1) That the proposed changes to the polling districts, polling places and polling stations be approved.
- (2) That the designation of the whole polling district as the polling place be approved.

(Susan Saunders – 01274 432285)

# COUNCIL

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# **MEMBER QUESTION TIME**

Questions submitted in accordance with Standing Order 12

# QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE

# 1. Councillor Smithies

I welcome the motion on child sexual exploitation. At a local Keighley level, what measures are in place to ensure coordinated and comprehensive action and support to front line police, social workers, schools, voluntary & community organisations and families to collaborate together to identify and tackle child sexual exploitation, to support child victims and families, and to help deal with the impact of forthcoming court cases on community cohesion?

#### 2. Councillor Cooke

Can the Leader of the Council confirm that policy decisions are the responsibility of the Executive and Full Council and not that of individual officers?

# 3. Councillor Rachel Sunderland

Question to the Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities - In the first Quarter of 2014/15 the target for satisfaction with service delivery (Anti Social Behaviour) has been missed again, and Bradford's performance has dropped 9% compared to 2013. Given that the proportion of residents saying ASB has got worse in the last year has increased, when will Bradford Council get a grip on ASB in our communities?

# 4. Councillor Ahmed

After my previous questions to the Leader about my concerns about Child Protection and Safeguarding of our children (asked soon after the tragic and sad death of 4 year old Hamza), I raised a concern about the impact of reducing Social Workers. The more recent issue with the case of the girl whose case went under the Council's radar resulting in £160,000 pay out, the more recent invitations for historical cases to come forward and the publicity surrounding the more recent senior appointment to the safeguarding position) could the Leader reassure me and the public that he is certain that these vulnerable groups are better protected in the future and those responsible at the highest level are identified and held responsible for failures?

# 5. Councillor Hawkesworth

In relation to the unauthorised and improper use of Council resources by the Conservative leader in May 2014 for electoral purposes will the Leader please state the amount of such resources so used as estimated by Council officers stating separately the amounts estimated in respect of physical materials, Council facilities and Council officers' time?

# 6. Councillor Morris

What action has the Council taken to report to the police the illegal use in May 2014 of Council facilities for electoral purposes by the Conservative leader?

# 7. Councillor Swallow

What is the Council's policy on the removal of grass cuttings from grass verges and public areas and is it uniform across the District?

# 8. **Councillor Wainwright**

On Monday February 3rd 2014 it was reported to Bradford Council that a large vehicle with an extremely large trailer on Sunday Feb 2nd had smashed down the gates at the entrance to Black Carr Woods. This vehicle then made numerous trips down the bridle path dumping farm waste into one of the fields. The vehicle was so large that bridle path was deeply rutted and walkers were unable to access the woods for weeks.

How many times have the main gates to Black Carr Woods been broken into in the last three years and have the police been contacted on each occasion?

What has been the cost to the Council to repair the gates after the farm vehicle smashed them down on Sunday February 3rd 2104?

What was the result of the request from officers after Tong Councillors requested a legal letter be sent to the farmer to reinstate the cost of repairing the gates following the incident on February 3rd 2014?

What has been the cost to repair the gates over the last three years?

What has been the cost to the Council to clean up the area after fly tipping over the past three years when the gates have either been left open by the farmer, his contractors or broken down by fly tippers?

# 9. Councillor Brown

In the light of growing concerns about the impact of physical traffic calming measures on vehicles, would the Leader of the Council consider instigating a review of the design and profiling of road humps and related features?

# 10. Councillor Jabar

Could the portfolio holder for CYPS update us on the Kings Science Academy?

# 11. Councillor Shabbir Hussain

How many road sweeping vehicles and cleansing staff are operating in Bradford West constituency, how frequently are the roads swept and how do these figures compare to other parts of the District?

# 12. Councillor Cooke

Since the Council considers that offering paid work subsidy for under-25 year olds is not a breach of its duties under the Equalities Act, can the Leader of the Council advise what programmes of support are in place for over-55s who find themselves redundant or want a switch of career?

# 13. Councillor Jabar

How are we tackling the shortage of school places and what progress are we making?

# 14. Councillor Reid

Question to the Portfolio Holder for Transport - How many transport projects in Bradford MDC will the West Yorkshire Combined Authority start in its first year (from 1 April 2014)?

# 15. **Councillor Wainwright**

What are the annual costs to the Council over the last four years of dealing with the obstruction of bridleways?

# 16. **Councillor Pennington**

Further to the decision of Tesco to scrap plans for a new store in Ilkley and dispose of the site, coupled with supermarkets greatly reducing their interest in increasing their number of large stores, is the council confident that it has a robust strategy for the disposal of the Richard Dunn Sports Centre when replacement leisure facilities are provided?

#### 17. Councillor Swallow

Can the Portfolio Holder update us on progress against targets in the Council's Road Safety Plan and in particular can she tell us what progress is being made against the stated aim of influencing driving behaviour because the perception of many people is that driving behaviours and standards are getting worse not better. Is there anything more that the Council and its partners can do to address the issue?

# 18. **Councillor Ahmed**

Could the Leader report on what progress has been made since he was asked over a year ago about the lack of representation at senior management levels in the Council? Could he also tell us what the ethnic make up is by number and percentage of total workforce at assistant director and next two levels below assistant director level in the council and inform us of the ethnic make up of the District both by number and percentage?

# 19. Councillor Dodds

What are the implications for Council policies and the local Taxi trade of Private Hire companies licensed by other authorities who are operating in Bradford District?

#### 20. Councillor Davies

Can the Portfolio Holder for Childrens' Services detail progress made on securing the 5600 childcare places required for eligible 2 year olds funded by the government? Do you welcome the government focusing funding on these children in order to help with school readiness?

# 21. Councillor Smithies

20 local authorities have already joined the 'Energy Bill Revolution' campaign, including two of our neighbouring West Yorkshire Council's (Leeds and Wakefield). The campaign is a broad alliance, made up of children's and older people's charities, environment groups, health and disability groups, trade unions, consumer groups, businesses, politicians and public figures. It seeks to highlight the impact of fuel poverty, and in particular the energy bill crisis, with millions of people struggling to heat their homes.

One of the main causes is that the UK's homes are some of the least energy efficient in Europe – leaking heat from their doors, walls and windows.

As a result energy bills are high and fuel poverty is getting worse. The campaign focuses on four key areas:

- 1. Home energy efficiency to be made a UK national infrastructure priority.
- 2. All 6 million UK low income homes given grants to make their homes highly energy efficient (EPC Band C) by 2025, with 2 million homes brought up to this standard by 2020.
- 3. Carbon tax revenue used to provide long term funding for the programme.
- 4. 0% loans for energy efficiency measures for the able to pay.

This programme would create the world's most ambitious home energy efficiency programme, slashing energy bills and carbon emissions, creating over 100,000 jobs and helping end the fuel poverty crisis once and for all.

Will Bradford Council join the campaign?

# 22. Councillor Jabar

What effect has been the affect in Bradford South of the reorganisation of the local Police force on Police staffing resources and the Council's contribution to partnership working?

# 23. Councillor Fear

Question to the Leader - When will the new West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service station, planned to replace the Idle Fire Station, be opening please?

# 24. Councillor Sykes

Can the Portfolio Holder for Childrens' Services clarify how children's centres will be funded in the interim period before the changes (estimated to take place by October 2015) are made given that the Schools Forum money runs out at the end of March 2015?

# 25. Councillor Mallinson

Given the sometimes confidential nature of the images collected by the Council's CCTV systems is the Leader of the Council aware of any policy document existing between the council and the police that ensures that confidentiality is maintained and that any perceived criminal information is handled in the best possible way?

# 26. Councillor Walls

Thursday 25th September the recycling operator emptied my bin, along with other residents bins, into the back of a caged pick up truck rather than the usual vehicle, where the waste is sorted by type, can the Portfolio Holder confirm that this waste for recycling will be /has been sorted at another site and not included with the general waste?

# 27. Councillor Fear

Question to the Portfolio Holder for Sustainability - When will Bradford Council catch up with other Local Councils in the region and expand the recycling of domestic waste to include more plastics, as only plastic bottles are recycled at present?

#### 28. Councillor Hawkesworth

Will the Portfolio Holder please state the total number of visitors (or footfall) (stated separately for each centre) for each of the Council's Visitor Information Centres (at Bradford City Centre, Saltaire, Haworth and Ilkley) for each of the two municipal years 2012-13 and 2013-14 stated separately for each year?

# 29. Councillor Cooke

Can the relevant Portfolio Holder inform colleagues of how many properties have been charged the 50% Empty Property Supplement, how much revenue has the measure raised and what support is available to people who are finding it difficult to either secure a tenant or else sell the property?

# 30. Councillor Sykes

Can the Portfolio holder for Children's Services please tell us how much the first consultation into changes to Children's Centre provision in the District cost and how much he expects the current consultation to cost?

# 31. Councillor Miller

Can the relevant Portfolio Holder advise of the value of fines levied by safety cameras on the A629 through the Bradford District?

# 32. Councillor Leeming

Question to the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Highways - What is happening regarding the Street Lighting on Swain Mount BD2 1HJ please?

# 33. Councillor Davies

Is it possible for the Portfolio holder for Children's Services to provide an update on the progress made on the targets contained within the performance indicators in the Education Improvement Strategy 2012-2015?

# 34. Councillor Whiteley

In order to try and raise standards does the Portfolio holder for Children's Services support specialist Maths teachers in primary schools, as advocated by the Government?

# 35. Councillor Middleton

Question to the Portfolio Holder for Sustainability - Will Bradford Council consider following the example of Leeds City Council and introduce in the summer months fortnightly collection of the Brown Green Waste wheelie bins?

# 36. Councillor Poulsen

Can the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services inform colleagues of how many children's centres are participating in the Early Words Together programme?

# 37. Councillor Davies

Can the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services inform colleagues of how many schools have signed up to the Literacy Trust's Premier League Reading Stars scheme which seeks to help children aged 8-13 with their reading skills?

# 38. Councillor Morris

Can the Council look at ways to provide an incentive to local business by a reduction in business tax for local those companies who are prepared to take on an apprentice?

# 39. Councillor Barker

Can the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services inform colleagues of how many schools are signed up to the Children's Trust 'Let's Get Cooking' food programme?

# COUNCIL

# 21 OCTOBER 2014

# **NOTICES OF MOTION**

# 1. CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

To be moved by Councillor Berry Seconded by Councillor Green

This Council recognises the right of all children to be protected from all forms of exploitation, victimisation and abuse, including sexual abuse and exploitation and to receive help as laid out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. We are committed to doing all that we can to protect and promote the rights of children, particularly those in the Council's care.

The Council is appalled by child sexual abuse and exploitation and believes that all victims deserve justice and that all perpetrators should be pursued and prosecuted.

The Council is committed to continuing to work closely with West Yorkshire Police and other partners to take coordinated action to disrupt, prevent and investigate Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), arrest, prosecute and convict perpetrators and attach priority status to this activity.

The Council recognises that:

- a) It continues to provide support to victims and survivors of CSE
- b) Progress has been made to address the issue of CSE in Bradford District including:
  - Bradford Safeguarding Children Board, an independent body, has prioritised child sexual exploitation, a crime which is often complex, challenging and understandably very difficult for victims to talk about.
  - Development of a multi-agency hub which co-locates workers under one roof enabling a rapid reaction to intelligence relating to child sexual exploitation.
  - Know the Signs Awareness campaign
  - Development of a systematic approach to gathering the views and experiences of young people.
- c) A significant number of arrests, prosecutions and prison sentences have arisen as a result of this close working in recent years.
- d) The District's strategies and procedures for safeguarding children and prosecuting those we have found to have abused them has developed over the years in line with national best practice, government guidance and local experience.
- e) Additional Council investment is supporting preventative and educational work in communities, schools and with parents commissioned through specialist voluntary sector organisations:
  - Every year 10 student in Bradford District has the opportunity to attend a child sexual exploitation drama reinforced by pre and post performance lesson plans.

- Work in Keighley by the Hand in Hand project has been boosted to provide more preventative group work for young people and to train peer mentors.
- Barnardos has been commissioned to expand its work to support more boys and young men, and to develop a new resource pack for work with families to raise awareness of child sexual exploitation.
- PACE (Parents against Child Exploitation) has been commissioned to deliver preventative group work to parents and to provide intensive support to the parents of children who are known to be experiencing child sexual exploitation.
- f) That the Children's' Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee keeps action to tackle CSE under regular review.
- g) Threats to children remain and that, sadly, there can be no absolutes in keeping children safe because agencies cannot control or predict the behaviour of all adults.
- h) There is a need for specialist support for victims, something that is a nationwide issue.
- i) That a cold case team is being established in partnership with West Yorkshire Police to investigate historical cases of CSE.
- j) The Jay Report into CSE in Rotherham has raised concerns about how historic cases in Bradford District may have been dealt with.
- k) People are seeking assurances that current arrangements for the prevention, disruption and investigation of CSE and related arrests and prosecutions are effective and robust.

# The Council resolves to:

- Confirm our commitments, along with West Yorkshire Police, to keep prioritising measures to tackle child sexual exploitation and prosecute perpetrators, securing the resources needed to do so effectively and putting the interests of children first.
- 2) Continue working to improve how local organisations, work together to try to provide the very best services to keep children and young people safe.
- 3) Agree that a report and recommendations on CSE be taken to the Executive at the earliest opportunity.
- 4) Ensure that all historical cases are investigated fully and wherever possible the perpetrators are brought to justice.
- 5) Express our deep regret that in the past, like other organisations nationally, West Yorkshire Police and Bradford Council did not have the rigorous and co-ordinated approach to dealing with allegations of child sexual exploitation that we have developed in recent years.
- 6) Seek to ensure that our understanding of the issues and of how to respond to, investigate and prevent child sexual exploitation continue to improve so that effective action to stop CSE is taken.
- 7) Work with the Police and others to encourage victims of historical CSE to come forward and make it easier and possible for them to do so.
- 8) Ensure that the Council makes appropriate additional resources available to support Police investigations of historical cases.

- 9) Ensure that all necessary measures are in place to secure historical and contemporary information and data relating to CSE cases.
- 10) Review Bradford Children's Safeguarding Board's "Seven Point Strategic Response to CSE" to ensure public and professional confidence that it remains robust and effective.
- 11) Continue to take action to ensure that the safeguarding arrangements for Bradford District children cared for outside of the District are as good as those for children cared for within it.
- 12) Recognise that many people are still reluctant or feel unable to talk about CSE issues and about how we can reduce the risks of people becoming victims or perpetrators.
- 13) Continue, along with our partners, to work with our communities to ensure that they understand the role of local people in identifying and reporting CSE and get the support they need to do so.
- 14) Continue to work in partnership to support and improve awareness of CSE in schools and to encourage all schools to take up the offer of related materials, drama and information.
- 15) Work to ensure that all regulatory functions of the Council contribute to the safeguarding of children.
- Provide written information and guidance about CSE to all Elected Members on how to identify cases and deal with them appropriately so that they know what questions to ask and where to go for help.
- 17) Provide additional training sessions on CSE for Elected Members.
- 18) Request the Council's Political Group leaders to take steps to ensure that all elected members undertake training at the earliest possible opportunity.
- 19) Support multi-agency work to identify the total resource implications of investigating historical activity across all agencies and make the case to Government for ongoing financial support.
- 20) Request the Children's' Services Overview and Scrutiny to continue to keep the work of the Council and its partners in tackling CSE under ongoing review.

# 2. ILLEGAL TRAVELLER ENCAMPMENTS

To be moved by Councillor Cooke Seconded by Councillor Ellis

This Council recognises the inconvenience and distress sometimes caused to local residents by illegal traveller encampments.

The Council also recognises the need to use Council resources to remove illegal encampments and then clear the site of waste etc once they are vacated.

In light of the inconveniences to residents and the costs to the Council at a time of strongly competing demands for funds, the Council resolves to:-

- Work with partners to devise and implement a series of standard procedures to deal with illegal encampments, including checks of vehicle taxation and insurance and where appropriate, the possession of waste carrier's licences.
- Investigate the options for recovery of all costs incurred from the public purse, with consideration given to contacting the relevant Minister to request that laws be amended or introduced where appropriate, to increase the Council's powers to recover all costs involved.
- The council commits to writing to the Police & Crime Commissioner requesting details
  of any strategies that he has in place or being formulated to respond to and alleviate
  residents' concerns.