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Dear Councillor

**COUNCIL MEETING – 26 FEBRUARY 2015**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Bradford, on Thursday, 26 February 2015 at 1600.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Assistant City Solicitor

Notes:

- ◆ This agenda can be made available in Braille, large print or tape format.
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**Members are reminded that under the Members' Code of Conduct, they must register within 28 days any changes to their financial and other interests and notify the Monitoring Officer of any gift or hospitality received.**

## **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 20 January 2015 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)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Director or Head of Service whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

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

To consider any 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).

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

7A. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE – BUDGET 2015/16**

The Executive at its meeting on 24 February 2015 will make recommendations to Council on the Budget for 2015/16. The following reports are submitted:

- (i) Engagement and Consultation Programme in relation to amended, accelerated and new budget proposals for the 2015/16 Council budget

This report and appendices provide feedback from the public engagement and consultation programme and set out the equality impact assessments carried out on the Executive's amended, accelerated and new budget proposals for 2015/16 (**Council Document "N"**). There is particular reference to the Council's responsibilities under Equality legislation to enable the Council to have due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty when considering the Executive's recommendations to Council on an indicative budget for 2015/16.

- (ii) Interim Trade Union Feedback on the Executive's amended, accelerated and new Budget Proposals for the 2015/16 Council Budget

This report provides detailed interim feedback from the Council's Trade Unions on the Executive's amended, accelerated and new budget proposals for the 2015/16 Council budget **(Executive Document "AZ" including NFP (Not For Publication) Appendix 12)**.

Note: Appendix 12 is marked Not for Publication on the grounds that it contains exempt information within paragraph 4 (Labour Relations, Consultations or Negotiations) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). The public interest in applying this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

- (iii) The Council's Revenue Estimates for 2015/16

This report provides details of the Council's Revenue Estimates for 2015/16 **(Executive Document "BF")**.

- (iv) The Council's Capital Investment Plan for 2015/16 onwards

This report proposes the programme of capital expenditure to 2018/19 **(Executive Document "BG")**.

- (v) Allocation of the Schools' Budget 2015/16

This report presents and seeks approval of the recommendations of the Schools Forum in allocating the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for 2015/16 **(Executive Document "BH")**.

- (vi) Section 151 Officer's Assessment

This report sets out the S151 Officer's assessment of the robustness of the proposed budget estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves as presented in the budget proposals. The assessment may require updating following the Executive's recommendations to Council on the budget following the meeting of the Executive on 24 February 2015 **(Executive Document "BI")**.

(Stuart McKinnon-Evans – 01274 432800)

### **Note**

***In view of the short timescale between the Executive on 24 February and the meeting of Council on 26 February the budget recommendations from the Executive to Council will be e-mailed to all Members of Council following the Executive on 24 February and will be published on the Council's website at [www.bradford.gov.uk](http://www.bradford.gov.uk) . The recommendations will also be circulated at this meeting of Council.***

- 7B To consider any other recommendations (if any) arising from meetings of the Executive and Committees held after the publication of this agenda and prior to the Council meeting.