

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, 21 March 2017 at 4.00 pm in Council Chamber, City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 4.00 pm
Concluded 7.10 pm

Present – Councillors

LABOUR

A Ahmed	Akhtar	Amran	Azam
Bacon	Berry	Dodds	Duffy
Dunbar	Engel	Farley	Ferriby
Green	Greenwood	Hinchcliffe	Abid Hussain
Arshad Hussain	S Hussain	T Hussain	Ikram
Iqbal	Jabar	Jamil	Johnson
H Khan	I Khan	Lal	Lee
Mohammed	Mullaney	Pearl	Pullen
Ross-Shaw	Salam	Shabbir	Shafiq
Shaheen	Sharp	M Slater	V Slater
Swallow	Tait	Thirkill	Thornton
Wainwright	Warburton	Watson	

CONSERVATIVE

Ali	Barker	Brown	Cooke
Davies	Ellis	Gibbons	Heseltine
Mallinson	Miller	Pennington	M Pollard
Poulsen	Riaz	Rickard	Shaw
BM Smith	D Smith	Townend	Whiteley

LIBERAL DEMOCRAT

R Ahmed	Fear	Griffiths	N Pollard
Stelling	Stubbs	J Sunderland	R Sunderland
			Ward

GREEN

Hawarun Hussain
Love
Warnes

INDEPENDENTS

Hawkesworth
Naylor

INDEPENDENT
Morris

QUEENSBURY INDEPENDENTS

L Cromie
P Cromie

INDEPENDENT
Sajawal

INDEPENDENT

Khadim Hussain

The Lord Mayor in the Chair



102. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures on matters under consideration.

ACTION: *City Solicitor*

103. MINUTES

Resolved -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2017 be signed as a correct record.

104. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Imran Hussain and Nazir.

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

INNCHURCHES COLLECTION

A collection had been arranged to help people supported by InnChurches in getting off the streets into accommodation. Donations would be gratefully received.

THE SPLENDOURS OF THE SUBCONTINENT EXHIBITION

The Lord Mayor recently had the pleasure of officiating at the opening of the exhibition 'Splendours of the Subcontinent: A Prince's Tour of India' at the Cartwright Hall art gallery and museum. The exhibits were presented as gifts to The Prince of Wales during his four month tour of the Indian subcontinent in 1875-76 and would be on display at Cartwright Hall until 18 June 2017.

GIFT TO THE CITY

The Lord Mayor announced that he would be presenting his gift to the City to mark his Civic year during an adjournment in this meeting.

106. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

There were no restricted documents.

107. PETITIONS (Standing Order 11)

Rockwell Lane, Thorpe Edge - Gritting

Resolved –

That the petition be referred to the Bradford East Area Committee.

Priestman Street, Manningham – Derelict Premises



Resolved –

That the petition be referred to the Bradford West Area Committee.

Lumb Lane, Bradford – Parking Issues

Resolved –

That the petition be referred to the Bradford West Area Committee and the Regeneration and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

ACTION: City Solicitor (referral to Committee)

108. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

109. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND JOINT COMMITTEES

Resolved –

- (1) That Irene Docherty, Teachers Special School Representative, be appointed as a Non Voting Co-opted Member of the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the Municipal Year.**
- (2) That Councillor Pennington replace Councillor Ellis as the alternate on the Staffing Committee.**
- (3) That Councillor Poulsen replace Councillor Carmody on the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillor Ellis replace Councillor Poulsen as an alternate.**
- (4) That Councillor Riaz replace Councillor Carmody as an alternate for the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

ACTION: City Solicitor

110. REPORT BY THE LEADER OF COUNCIL

Council Document “AA” details the verbal questions from Members to the Leader of Council and the answers given on the matters contained in the Leader of Council’s written report.

111. MEMBER QUESTION TIME

Council Document “AB” details the questions from Members to the Leader of Council and Portfolio Holders and the answers given.

112. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE - THE APPROVAL AND



IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BRADFORD DISTRICT COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) CHARGING SCHEDULE

On 7 March 2017 the Executive considered the report of the Strategic Director, Place (Executive Document “BN”) explaining that the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) was intended as a means of contributing to the funding of infrastructure required to support growth in the District and deliver the policies and proposals in the Local Plan, including the Core Strategy and other Development Plan Documents. It replaced part of the system of Planning Obligations (Section 106 Agreements), the scope of which had been restricted since 6 April 2015 with regard to pooling of developer contributions. The CIL would help to meet the District’s priorities by generating funding to provide infrastructure whilst being set at appropriate rates that would continue to attract investment, create jobs, and deliver new housing.

Resolved –

That the implementation of the Bradford District Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule (as set out in Appendix 2 of Executive Document “BN”) with a commencement date of 1 July 2017 be approved.

ACTION: Strategic Director Place

113. CHILDREN LEAVING CARE

A motion was moved by Councillor Nicola Pollard.

An amendment, as set out in the resolution below, moved by Councillor Shaheen was carried.

Resolved-

This Council notes that the Children in Care Council (CICC) is run as an inclusive Children Looked After and Care Leavers Council and provides excellent support to both children and young people who are in care and those who have left our care. The youngest member in the current CICC is 14 and the oldest is 22.

This Council also notes that nationally children who leave care can have a hugely increased risk of criminal behaviour, teenage pregnancies, homelessness and substance misuse. However in Bradford:

- **90% of 16 to 21 year olds are in either employment or training**
- **27 Care Leavers are attending university**
- **Most recent Ofsted described the experience and progress of care leavers as good.**

This Council believes that children leaving care require the right type of targeted, intensive support and as a result is conducting a review of the support given to our care leavers.

The Council notes the role and responsibilities of Corporate parents and the



recent report Improving the Support for Young People in Care considered by the Corporate Parenting Panel on 8th March.

The Council resolves to:

- Adopt the recommendations in Improving the Support for Young People in Care
- Ask the Corporate Parenting Panel and the Children's Overview and Scrutiny committee to examine both the outcomes of the review of support for Care Leavers and the implementation of the Improving Support to Young People recommendations.

ACTION: *Strategic Director Children's Services/City Solicitor (referral to committees)*

114. **OUR COMMITMENT TO A SUCCESSFUL TRADE WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**

A motion was moved by Councillor Jeanette Sunderland.

An amendment, as set out in the resolution below, was moved by Councillor Ferriby and was carried.

Resolved-

This Council notes:

- Trade waste collection is a non-statutory service. It provides a good service to businesses who trade in the Bradford District.
- From a total of around 17,000 businesses in the district, the Council has approximately 4,000 customers, a market share of around 25%. Private providers dominate this market and the Council has no powers to compel them to comply with a council service's policy.
- The Council is committed to continuing an effective and efficient trade waste service which generates a surplus. This benefits our business customers plus it also generates income to pay for other Council services delivered to Bradford District residents.
- The Council is committed to ensuring all our business customers have access to appropriate waste containers and advice or support to ensure that they are good neighbours.
- The Council experiences very few adverse issues with the service. However the Council is committed to using our legitimate enforcement measures and enabling environmental officers to deal with any nuisance or hazards wherever they arise.
- Should any elected member or member of the public experience difficulty with a trade waste bin, they should contact their Neighbourhood Office which will support with enforcement.

ACTION: *Strategic Director Place*

115. **TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE STATE PENSION OF WOMEN**



BORN IN THE 1950s

A motion, as set out in the resolution below, was moved by Councillor Hawkesworth and was carried.

Resolved-

The Pensions Acts of 1995 and 2011 imposed significant changes on hundreds of thousands of women with little or no personal notification. This resulted in some women only having two years notice of a six year increase to their state pension age.

The Government should change the transitional arrangements so that they take account of:

- **The unfair burden place on women born after 6th April 1951**
- **The lack of time to make alternative plans**

This Council resolves to:

- **Ask the Government to reconsider transitional arrangements for women born on or after 6th April 1951**
- **Ask each of the District's five MPs to make their views known on this matter to the relevant minister**

ACTION: Chief Executive

116. COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER

A motion was moved by Councillor Cooke.

An amendment, as set out in the resolution below, was moved by Councillor Ross-Shaw and was carried.

Resolved-

Council notes:

- 1. Community Asset Transfer presents the opportunity to empower local communities and build neighbourhood resilience**
- 2. Commitment in the 2017/18 budget to support Parish and Town Councils or community organisations looking at community asset transfers or the undertaking of withdrawn Council services**
- 3. Limited capacity and knowledge of community asset transfer within some local Councils and community groups**

The Council has the following tools in place:



1. Available asset lists for interested parties who may wish to take responsibility for them either through a CAT or other process
2. Every building has details of outstanding repairs and other prospective costs that would require identification within a community asset transfer
3. As part of the CAT transfer process we identify limiting covenants or charitable trusts on land or buildings in the Council's control
4. Appropriate support through the £100,000 budget proposal for Parish or Town Councils or community organisations considering community asset transfer
5. Provides updates on CATs and other service transfers through:
 - the Property Programme report at Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
 - to ward members on a quarterly basis, with notifications for new and progressing CATs;
 - through an online register of applications, publicly available.

Council asks the Strategic Directors, Corporate and Place to:

1. Develop a CAT toolkit for parties interested in the community asset transfer process
2. Organise workshops to help inform and guide parties interested in the community asset transfer process

ACTION: *Strategic Director Corporate Services/Strategic Director Place*

117. **BOOSTING SKILLS AND RECRUITMENT IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE FOR THE BRADFORD DISTRICT**

A motion, as set out in the resolution below, was moved by Councillor Imran Khan and was carried.

An amendment moved by Councillor Rickard was defeated.

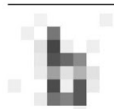
Resolved-

This Council notes:

- There is a risk of a national skills gap and recruitment crisis in health and social care
- The risk is heightened by the Government's decision to cut bursaries for student nurses, which has led to a 23% drop in enrolments. The uncertainty around the employment of EU nationals post-Brexit adds to the risk.

This Council recognises this is a national issue but we want to do what we can here in Bradford. We are committed to working with partners in the district to address skills and recruitment challenges in health and social care. We resolve to:

- instruct the Strategic Director of Children's Services to launch a health and social care Industrial Centre of Excellence (ICE)



- support the University of Bradford's bid to open a medical school
- help to develop improved career pathways for health and social care professionals.

ACTION: *Strategic Director Children's Services /Strategic Director Health and Wellbeing*

118. BRADFORD COUNCIL IS TAKING A LEAD ON INCLUSIVE GROWTH

A motion, as set out in the resolution below, was moved by Councillor Hinchcliffe and was carried.

Resolved-

This Council notes:

- Bradford Council is playing a lead role in inclusive growth for our region, as demonstrated when we hosted the Inclusive Growth Commission's regional launch event on 6 March 2017
- It is crucial that everyone in the district gets the opportunity to contribute to and share in any economic growth
- We are committed to making inclusive growth principles integral to our own practices and in our influence with partners and third party organisations

We resolve to:

- Consider inclusive growth as part of the Council's Procurement Review
- Continue supporting employment and skills programmes such as SkillsHouse and encourage partners to get involved
- Work with private and third sector partners on a Business Covenant to promote strong corporate social responsibility throughout the Bradford District.

ACTION: *Chief Executive/Strategic Director Corporate Services/Strategic Director Place*

119. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2017/18

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011 Local Authorities are required to produce and publish a Pay Policy Statement for each financial year. The Pay Policy Statement must be approved by full Council before publication. The report of the Director of Human Resources (**Document "Z"**) presented the draft Pay Policy Statement 2017/18 for approval.

Resolved –



That the Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2017/18, as set out at Appendix 1 to Document “Z”, be approved.

ACTION: Strategic Director Corporate Services

Chair

Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a correct record at the next meeting of the Council.

THIS AGENDA AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN PRODUCED, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, ON RECYCLED PAPER

