

## Decisions of the Council on Tuesday, 18 July 2017

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### Decisions

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

**Keep Clayton Green from inappropriate developments**

**Resolved –**

**That the petition be referred to the Executive.**

***ACTION: City Solicitor (referral to Executive)***

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

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the appointment of the following non-voting co-opted members to the Environment and Waste management Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the 2017-18 municipal year be confirmed:**

**Julia Pearson - Bradford Environment Forum  
Nicola Hoggart – Environment Agency.**

- (2) That the appointment of the following non-voting co-opted members to the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny for the 2017/2018 municipal year be confirmed:**

**Susan Crowe – Strategic Disability Partnership  
Trevor Ramsay – Strategic Disability Partnership  
G Sam Samociuk – former Mental Health Nursing Lecturer  
Jenny Scott – Older People’s Partnership**

- (3) That Councillor Sharp be an alternate on the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

- (4) That Councillor Iqbal be an alternate on the Health and Social Care Overview and scrutiny Committee.**

- (5) That Councillor Fear replace Councillor Rachel Sunderland as an alternate on the Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

***ACTION: City Solicitor***

**11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE - LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY - INSPECTOR'S REPORT AND ADOPTION**

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the Core Strategy as approved by Full Council on December 2013 be formally adopted and submitted to the government for examination with the Main Modifications contained in Appendix 1 to Executive Document “C”, as proposed by the Inspector pursuant to Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.**
- (2) That the Assistant Director (Planning Transportation and Highways) in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder be authorised to make other minor amendments of redrafting or of a similar nature as may be necessary prior to formal publication.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director Place***

**11. CALLED-IN DECISION - REVIEW OF THE OPERATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE 12 MONTH TRIAL BAN OF PAVEMENT OBSTRUCTIONS**

**Resolved –**

**In February 2014 the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee requested that the Executive ‘bring about a change in the Authority’s available powers to deal more effectively with obstruction of the highway’.**

**Council notes that:**

- Bradford Council takes its responsibilities under the Highways Act seriously and under the existing Code of Practice for Advertising Displays any A-board reasonably deemed to constitute a danger to highway users will be removed**
- The trial ban of A-boards in Saltaire, Ilkley, Leeds Road and Bradford city centre were effective in reducing the number of A-boards on the highways**
- The growing number of Local Authorities introducing bans and other powers to manage the numbers and locations of A-boards on the public highway**

**Therefore Council proposes:**

- To ask the Council’s Executive to implement a full ban on A-boards across the district
- That a report is sent to the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review the effectiveness of the ban 12 months after implementation.

**ACTION:** *Strategic Director Place/City Solicitor (referral to Executive)*

11. **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT, MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION STRATEGY AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT 2017/18**

Resolved –

That the Treasury Management Policy (Governance and Audit Committee Document “AH”) be adopted.

**ACTION:** *Strategic Director Corporate Services*

11. **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE - MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY**

Resolved –

That the updated and revised Medium Term Financial Strategy be approved.

**ACTION:** *Strategic Director Corporate Services*

12. **REVIEW OF FIRE SAFETY IN ALL HIGH RISE BUILDINGS IN THE DISTRICT**

*No decision*

12. **CENTENARY OF THE 1918 REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT**

Resolved-

This Council notes that 2018 will be the centenary of the 1918 Representation of the People Act which enabled more women to vote in local elections and stand as candidates. The Act also enabled women to stand for Parliament and granted those over 30 the right to vote in parliamentary elections.

This Council wishes to organise local celebrations and activity to commemorate this anniversary. This was an important milestone in democratic history. We ask the Strategic Director of Place to work with the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Culture and Sport to advise on the content of the local celebrations to include from “Suffrage to Citizenship”. This should include consulting with members from all Groups across the Chamber.

**ACTION:**     *Strategic Director Place*

12.     **IMPROVING CITY CENTRE AIR QUALITY AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY**

*No decision*

12.     **BRADFORD COUNCIL'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFETY OF HOMES AND BUILDINGS**

**Resolved-**

**This Council notes:**

**The tragic events at Grenfell Tower have shocked us all and the thoughts and prayers of everyone in the district are with the victims and their families.**

**Although Bradford Council transferred its stock of social housing, including high rise tower blocks, to InCommunities in 2003 we are fully committed to doing everything in our power to ensure the safety of people in their homes and public buildings across the Bradford District.**

**In the past few weeks Bradford Council has been working with our partners in the social housing sector and the West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service (WYFRS) to ensure we are confident that properties have up-to-date safety records and the type of cladding used at Grenfell Tower is not used anywhere in our district.**

**We have also liaised with our partners in the NHS and in the district's schools to ensure Fire Risk Assessments have been carried out and information is up to date.**

**This Council endorses the approach taken so far by the Portfolio Holder in conjunction with the Strategic Director of Place in:**

- **Writing to high rise owners to request up-to-date information on building safety where necessary to ensure our records are complete**
- **Reviewing our Emergency Response Procedures to ensure any lessons learned from Grenfell Tower are implemented**
- **Working with the WYFRS to expand our concordat with InCommunities to include other housing providers in the social and private sector**

**This Council also resolves to:**

- **Call on the government to increase the funding available, or provide greater powers related to raising revenue, to Local Authorities to**

**better enforce their powers under the Housing Act 2004 on health and safety and fire safety related issues**

- **Continue to work with the District Tenants' Federation to organise seminars/workshops with representatives of the WYFRS, housing providers and Bradford Council to discuss fire safety**
- **Support and challenge housing providers in the District to fully and swiftly implement any Grenfell Tower Inquiry recommendations on sprinklers or other fire safety measures.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director Place***

## **12. BRADFORD DISTRICT REQUESTS A FAIR FUNDING DEAL**

**Resolved-**

**This Council welcomes the first indications from the new government that austerity is over. We are keen to hear what additional budgets will be made available for local authorities to fund key services such as education and adult social care in particular.**

**This Council notes:**

- **Bradford Council's net budget has reduced by more than £250 million and our workforce has reduced by over 2,000 staff since the start of the government's austerity programme in 2010**
- **The Prime Minister has previously spoken about making this "a country that works for everyone"**
- **The new government has dropped its plan to devolve the retention of business rates to local authorities but has not yet announced a new funding plan**

**This Council resolves to:**

- **Ask the Chancellor and the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for clarity about their plans for local government funding and to request a fair deal for this district to realise the aim of making a country that works for everyone**
- **Urge the LGA to work on a cross-party campaign to ensure local government is not forgotten if austerity is rolled back**
- **Press the Health Secretary to address the continuing funding crisis in adult social care.**

***ACTION: Chief Executive/ Director Health and Wellbeing***

## **12. CELEBRATING CIVIC AND YORKSHIRE PRIDE IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT**

**Resolved-**

**This Council notes:**

- **Yorkshire Day takes place on 1<sup>st</sup> August and is the latest opportunity to celebrate all that's great about our county and district**
- **The success of recent events such as the Tour de Yorkshire which celebrate and promote pride in the district**
- **The Council's historic crest has taken a secondary position to the orange and blue logo in the last decade, yet the crest better represents the heritage and towns which make up our district**

**This Council resolves to:**

- **Build on the success of sporting and cultural events such as Tour de Yorkshire and Yorkshire Day to promote pride in the Bradford District**
- **Ask the Yorkshire Society to lead their traditional celebrations for 1<sup>st</sup> August from Bradford at the next earliest opportunity**
- **Roll out the use of the Council's historic civic crest in Council literature and civic buildings and gradually phase out use of the orange and blue 'City of Bradford MDC' logo, without incurring additional cost, to more strongly reflect civic pride and the different towns within the district.**

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

**13. FOOD SAFETY PLAN**

**Resolved –**

**That the Food Safety Service Plan be approved.**

***ACTION: Director Health and Wellbeing***

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