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Dear Councillor

**MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2017**

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber - City Hall, Bradford, City Hall, Bradford, on Tuesday, 12 December 2017 at 4.00 pm

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Parveen Akhtar  
City Solicitor

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## AGENDA

### A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

#### 1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted 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 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 17 October 2017 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).**

(Adrian Tumber – 01274 432435)

## 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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Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director 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. PETITIONS (Standing Order 11)

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

### Ward

- (i) Regency Court and Walker Drive – Request to close walkway  
**Manningham**
- (ii) Refuse collection arrangements  
**Manningham**
- (iii) Funding of Duke of Edinburgh Award sessions in Wharfedale  
**Wharfedale**
- (iv) Oastler Road car park  
**Shipley**

- (v) Reducing speeding on Reeve Crescent, Buttershaw  
Royds

(Tracey Sugden – 01274 434287)

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

The following question has been received from a member of the public:

“Waltham Forest and Southwark Councils' pension funds have recently taken the decision to divest from fossil fuels. Southwark states that "our action to reduce the carbon exposure of our fund is wholly consistent with our fiduciary duties as pension fund trustees". In addition, Norway's Central Bank has in November advised its government to stop investing its \$1 trillion sovereign wealth fund in fossil fuels because of the financial risk to its investments. What measures is Bradford Council taking to learn from other councils' pension funds, and to protect West Yorkshire Pension Fund members from losing out when fossil fuel investments crash?”

The Lord Mayor will invite Leader of Council (or another nominated Member) to respond.

(Tracey Sugden - 01274 434287)

**8. 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).

**9. REPORT BY THE LEADER OF COUNCIL**

A written report by the Leader of Council giving an update on key issues will be circulated before the start of the meeting. There shall be a period of up to 15 minutes during which any Member of Council may ask the Leader of the Council (or a Member of the Council nominated by the Leader) a question on any matter arising out of the written report.

**10. 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.*

## **QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

### **1. Councillor Tait**

2018 has been named the Year of Engineering. Does the Leader agree with me that science and engineering offer huge value and can benefit our district in all kinds of ways including education, skills and the economy?

### **2. Councillor Heseltine**

Would the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport, detail the free parking offer for Christmas shoppers in Bingley and the rest of the district and can she confirm that the Labour Group's Executive, is considering spreading Christmas cheer in years to come, by removing Christmas Parking Concessions from next year?

### **3. Councillor Fear**

To ask the portfolio holder: Once the Council acquires the NCP car park on Hall Ings, will be run as a Council car park, including discounted or free parking for Council staff and elected members?

### **4. Councillor Warnes**

Now that Smart Parking's unlawful signs, cameras and ticketing machines have been removed from the Oastler Road car park near Saltaire, can the Leader of Council please outline what measures Bradford Council is undertaking to ensure that a fully operational car park is re-established at this location and managed responsibly for the benefit of local residents, tourists, shoppers and nearby small businesses?

### **5. Councillor Aneela Ahmed**

Does the Leader have an update on the University of Bradford's bid to set up a medical school?

### **6. Councillor Mohammad Shabbir**

Does the Leader share my major concerns around the misuse of fireworks and related antisocial behaviour that we've seen not just at bonfire night but throughout the year, and how are we supporting the police and fire services to tackle it?

**7. Councillor Davies**

Given the Baildon sinkhole has now been there for three months and local shops and businesses are severely impacted by the reduction in parking for customers, would the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport consider the Council providing compensation in a similar way as utility companies are required to make when roadworks over-run?

**8. Councillor Jamil**

Will the portfolio holder join me in congratulating Horton Park Primary (in the top 40 state primaries in the country), Ilkley Grammar (the best comprehensive school in the region) and Bradford Grammar School (independent secondary of the year) after their inclusion in the Sunday Times' top schools rankings?

**9. Councillor Wainwright**

After the Autumn Budget does the Leader agree that the government continues to favour tax cuts for bankers and the rich over proper funding for local government and public services?

**10. Councillor Cooke**

Would the Leader of the Council confirm whether she considers it to be open and transparent, for a single member of the Council Executive Committee, along with an officer of the Council, to take decisions to purchase properties, without the knowledge or involvement of any other Councillors?

**11. Councillor Berry**

Can the portfolio holder give an update on the numbers of young people who are "NEET" in the district and the measures being put in place to support those who have complex needs or who have not been able to be supported in mainstream provision?

**12. Councillor Fear**

To ask the portfolio holder how many downloads there have been of the Bradford Council app in each of the last three years as well as any data on the number of active users and incidents reported through the app?

**13. Councillor Nazir**

Will the portfolio holder for regeneration, planning and transport give us a progress update on the proposed Odeon scheme and tell us what kind of impact he sees for Bradford if it goes ahead?

**14. Councillor Pennington**

Further to the announcement that after 22 years, the Council is to evict the much used News Kiosk from Centenary Square, would the Leader of the Council confirm whether she agrees with me that many of the people attending the events that we try so hard to attract people to, held on and around the Square, may well find this an inconvenience and can she confirm whether any consideration has been given to offering the tenant a sensible relocation?

**15. Councillor Nazir**

Will the portfolio holder for education, employment and skills give an update on the situation at Bradford College?

**16. Councillor Wainwright**

Would the portfolio holder comment on the possible impact in Bradford arising from the little-publicised plans by the government to remove refugees and other forms of short-term supported housing from the welfare system?

**17. Councillor Riaz**

In Bingley Rural Ward, there has been a spate of burglaries and car jackings. This has even been raised in Parliament, by our local MP. Residents report concerns that rural crime and policing are often forgotten due to the prominence given to urban crime and policing. Obviously, this issue is primarily a policing issue, and not the Council, but as, crime is a holistic problem, I would like to ask The Leader of the Council to advise members regarding what action could be taken by Bradford Council itself, to respond to this spike of crime in my Ward?

**18. Councillor Farley**

Almost two years on from the Boxing Day floods of 2015, will the Leader assure us of the steps the Council has taken to prepare for any future incident?

**19. Councillor Bacon**

In these challenging times for local authority workers with growing demands and reduced resources it was good to see the Council's employee awards event held recently to recognise the hard work of staff – will the Leader tell us about the successful award winners this year?

**20. Councillor Ward**

To ask the portfolio holder for Education: What due diligence measures did the Portfolio holder take to ensure that Wakefield City Academies Trust (WCAT) was a suitable sponsor for Bradford schools and has the Portfolio holder followed Wakefield Council's lead in referring WCAT to

the police?

**21. Councillor Farley**

Will the portfolio holder give an update on the road improvements being made at North Street in Keighley town centre?

**22. Councillor Barker**

In relation to the freehold transfer of Burley Library to the Burley in Wharfedale Parish Council, can the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Sport and Culture please provide an update of when the work, comprising the 'asset lock' governing this process, will be completed?

**23. Councillor Nazir**

Does the portfolio holder welcome the news that Bradford is the joint fourth most improved local education authority area in the country on the Progress 8 measure and can he tell us how schools are working to make further improvements?

**24. Councillor Warnes**

Can the Leader of Council please tell us how many street trees have been removed across Bradford District over the past five years; and how many new street trees have been planted?

**25. Councillor Bacon**

Will the Leader tell us about the main aims of the new "Bradford Pound" social value policy and what opportunities it might offer residents, local businesses and the Council?

**26. Councillor Berry**

Can the portfolio holder provide an update on the numbers of looked after children placed out of the district over the last 6 months?

**27. Councillor Davies**

Are there any plans to introduce a 'live chat' option on the Council's website to enable improved interaction with residents?

**28. Councillor Nazir**

Will the portfolio holder for regeneration, planning and transport give an update on the planned revamp of Forster Square station?

**29. Councillor Azam**

Will the portfolio holder outline the support the Council has been providing to the Oastler market and top of town businesses in recent

months and in the run-up to Christmas?

**30. Councillor Reid**

To the Portfolio Holder: What proportions of the properties on Bradford's Empty Homes Register were reported to the Council (a) by members of the public? (b) by Members of Council?

**31. Councillor Farley**

In spite of the government cuts can the portfolio holder assure us that we will maintain substantial gritting coverage across the district this winter?

**32. Councillor Pennington**

Would the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport provide members with details of any measures that are to be taken to ensure the continued operation and success of Uriah Woodheads, when the installation of the Cycle Super Highway prevents the company from receiving deliveries and collections etc from large vehicles?

**33. Councillor Poulsen**

Would the Leader of the Council, confirm in which areas businesses have been approached to sponsor Christmas Trees for this year and how were these areas chosen?

**34. Councillor Heseltine**

Can the Leader of the Council confirm that any proceeds from the sale of Priestthorpe Annex, the building owned by the trust, will be administered by the trust and income generated used for the benefit of Priestthorpe School, as per the discussions that have previously taken place with the school?

**35. Councillor Stelling**

Events, such the recent Illuminate Bradford, saw huge numbers of people drawn into town creating a real buzz. Do we know what the economic boost these events bring to businesses in the City Centre? Have there been any conversations with City businesses to see how this could be maximised?

**36. Councillor Heseltine**

In response to questions asked by residents of Bingley Ward, can the Leader of the Council list the funds that have been paid over the last 5 years and any that are currently identified for payment till the end of the funding streams and specify what the funding was for, to companies operating in Bradford City Centre that are non footsie multinationals or

footsie 250 and companies with a turnover of £1 million plus?

**37. Councillor Heseltine**

Can the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Sport and Culture confirm that Bingley Music Live will take place in 2018?

**38. Councillor Rachel Sunderland**

Noting the difficulties in getting a response from Officers, can the Portfolio Holder please provide me with an update on plans to repair the bridge in Peel Park, the associated costs and timescales associated?

**39. Councillor Poulsen**

Would the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport, advise colleagues of the current average time between the need for a street light repair being reported and the light being repaired and how many are await repairs for over 28 days?

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

**11.1 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE - LOCAL PLAN -  
BRADFORD CITY CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN (AAP) AND  
SHIPLEY AND CANAL ROAD CORRIDOR AAP - PLANNING  
INSPECTOR'S REPORT AND ADOPTION**

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The Council is in the process of preparing a new Local Plan which will replace the current statutory development plan for Bradford District (the Replacement Unitary Development Plan) which was adopted in 2005. The first of the Local Plan documents is the Core Strategy which was adopted at meeting of Full Council on 18 July 2017. The Bradford City Centre AAP and Shipley & Canal Road Corridor AAP will provide the planning policy frameworks for determining future planning applications over the next 15 years in these priority regeneration and growth areas in conformity with the policies in the adopted Core Strategy. The AAPs were approved by Full Council on 20 October 2015 for submission to government for examination. Following publication for representations, an examination was held with a government appointed Inspector.

The Council has received the Planning Inspector's Final Report and recommendations on the two AAPs. The Inspector considered all the matters before her including the plan, the evidence underpinning it, and the representations made and the published modifications. In her report she concluded that the Bradford City Centre AAP and Shipley & Canal Road Corridor AAP can both be considered to be legally compliant and sound, providing a limited set of Main Modifications are made to the plans, as submitted.

On 7 November 2017 the Executive considered the report of the

Strategic Director, Place (**Executive Document “AF”**) noting the contents of the Inspector’s report and gave authority to proceed to Full Council to request the legal adoption of the AAPs, with modification, in line with the Inspector’s recommendation.

The Executive,

**Resolved -**

- (1) That the contents of Document “AF” and contents of the Inspector’s Report (Appendix 1) be noted.**
- (2) That it be recommended that Full Council formally adopt the Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan as approved by Full Council on 20th October 2015 and submitted to the government for examination with the Main Modifications contained in Appendix 2, as proposed by the Inspector pursuant to Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.**
- (3) That it be recommended that Full Council formally adopt the Shipley & Canal Road Corridor Area Action Plan as approved by Full Council on 20th October 2015 and submitted to the government for examination with the Main Modifications contained in Appendix 3, as proposed by the Inspector pursuant to Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.**
- (4) 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 of both AAPs.**

(Bhupinder Dev – 01274 432012)

**11.2 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES**

On 26 October 2017 the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a presentation on Dementia Friendly Communities (DFC) providing background to the programme and history of DFC work in the Bradford district and indicating ways to support this work including looking at how this Council could become dementia friendly. The Committee resolved:

- (1) That everyone who attended the meeting to contribute to the presentation be thanked for their input.**
- (2) That, when the audit of dementia related activity is finalised it be circulated to the Committee through the Chair.**

- (3) That the Strategic Director, Health and Wellbeing be requested to collate information on staff working on dementia related activity across the Council in order to facilitate a more joined up approach.
- (4) **That it be recommended to Council that it be mandatory for all elected Members to undertake Dementia Friends training.**

(Caroline Coombes – 01274 432313)

**11.3 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2016/17** 93 - 106

On 30 November 2017 the Governance and Audit Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director Corporate Services showing the Council's Treasury Management activities for the year ending 31 March 2017. It was,

**Resolved –**

**That the report be revised to include a suggestion made at the meeting (sentence at paragraph 2.6 explaining why rescheduling debt would not be financially viable) and referred to Council for adoption.**

It is recommended that the revised report **Document “I”** is approved.

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

**11.4 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW UP TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2017** 107 - 120

On 30 November 2017 the Governance and Audit Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director Corporate Services showing the Council's Treasury Mid Year Review up to 30 September 2017. It was,

**Resolved –**

**That the changes to the Treasury policy set out in section 2.6.2 of Document “R” be noted and the revised report which includes further information on the new regulation on the CIPFA Code out for consultation be referred to Council for adoption.**

It is recommended that the revised report **Document “J”** is approved.

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

**11.5 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE** 121 - 134

On 30 November 2017 the Governance and Audit Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director Corporate Services (**Governance and**

**Audit Committee Document “T”**) containing the amended and updated Code of Corporate Governance which sets out how the Council will meet and demonstrate its commitment to good Corporate Governance. It was,

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the amended and updated Code of Corporate Governance be approved and adopted by the Council.**
- (2) That it be noted that the amended code will be used to help test the effectiveness of the Council’s Governance Arrangements in order to inform the production of the Annual Governance Statement.**

(Mark St Romaine – 01274 434257)

**11.6 ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

(Adrian Tumber – 01274 432435)

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION (Standing Order 17)**

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

**12.1 DEPUTY LORD MAYOR**

To be moved by Councillor Mike Gibbons  
Seconded by Councillor Dale Smith

Council notes:

The removal of the Office of Deputy Lord Mayor for budgetary reasons and that the scale of the savings may not be as significant as initially envisaged.

The hectic and onerous workload of the current and previous Lords Mayor and also their Deputies, along with the lack of sickness absence cover should the Mayor be unavailable for any length of time, with no Deputy in place.

A previous Lord Mayor, Councillor Mike Gibbons has consulted with a significant number of previous Lords Mayor and Deputies, with the feedback being overwhelmingly in strong support of the retention / re-instatement of the role of Deputy Lord Mayor.

Council asks that the relevant officers:

- Identify savings from the Council's annual subscriptions, sufficient to fund the continuation of the role of Deputy Lord Mayor.

## **12.2 EARLY HELP INFORMED CONSULTATION**

To be moved by Councillor David Ward

Seconded by Councillor Nicola Pollard

This Council notes that a report to the Executive on the 11th July 2017 announced a consultation on the redesigning and remodelling of Early Help arrangements.

This Council notes that this consultation is now referred to by the Controlling Group and Senior Officers as an 'Engagement exercise'.

This Council notes that the 'Engagement exercise' made no mention of the possible loss of over 200 jobs.

This Council notes that the report to the Executive on 7 November announcing a consultation on a new model for 'Prevention and Early Help' did refer to the possible loss of over 200 jobs but provided no details on where those job losses would be.

In the light of this Council resolves to provide, before the end of the consultation exercise on the proposed new model, details about where the proposed job losses would be to enable consultees to be able to make a fair and informed response to the proposals.

## **12.3 CLEAN AIR ZONES**

To be moved by Councillor Brendan Stubbs

Seconded by Councillor Rachel Sunderland

This Council Notes that:

1. Bradford like many cities has area of really poor air quality.
2. On a number of our major roads in and out of the city pollutants in the air exceed safe limit set by both the European Union and World Health Organisation
3. Air pollution in Bradford has a massive impact on the health of our citizens. The young and most vulnerable it can cause permanent lung damage to babies and young children and in older people exacerbates lung and heart diseases. In Bradford this equates to approximately 2,300 years of life lost per annum
4. The Government has set out clear targets and action that must be taken by other cities around the country but didn't insist on these actions for Bradford as we fell just below their threshold.
5. That a number of steps and initiatives have already been implemented to improve air quality by the Council and its partners across the district

This Council believes that:

1. Everyone in our district should be able to breathe clean, unpolluted air.
2. That we should take extra step to protect the health of all residents
3. That we cannot and should not wait for Government to come up with a solution when it is within our power to act.

This Council Resolves to:

1. Introduce an enforceable 'no-idling' zone outside every school, medical centre, hospital and play area across the district.
2. Investigate the introduction of a chargeable low emissions zones in the worst areas for air pollution and develop a plan for their implementation by 2020
3. Work with and support bus, haulage, transport and taxi companies operating in our district to ensure that all vehicles on our roads me the highest low emissions standard like 'Euro 6'
4. Lobby the Government to go further in their efforts to improve air quality standards and argue for local government to be given the powers and financial support to implement them.

#### **12.4 BRADFORD COUNCIL'S AUTUMN BUDGET RESPONSE**

To be moved by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe

Seconded by Councillor Imran Khan

This Council notes:

- The government is cutting its revenue support grant to Bradford Council from £183 million in 2013/14 down to zero by 2020.
- The Council's net budget in 2020 will be around half what it was in 2010 in real terms.
- We have made repeated representations to the Government to request fair funding for the services Bradford District residents rely on
- Before the Autumn Budget we wrote to the Chancellor to set out our asks for the district, including the need for significant new funding to address growing demands in children's and adults social care, a funded pay rise for local government workers and government investment in local schemes which have a proven track record of success
- In his budget of 22 November 2017 the Chancellor ignored these key issues

This Council:

- will do everything we can to keep delivering quality frontline public services to the people of Bradford District.
- needs to keep on track its delivery of the four-year budget plan and its work with partners and communities to stay sustainable once the government entirely cuts its revenue support grant by 2020
- will continue to work with other local authority partners in making the strong case to government to work with us to unlock growth

- and maintain valued services so this district is not left behind
- will pursue opportunities to increase our income and stimulate additional economic growth in the district

## **12.5 AIREDALE NHS TRUST'S PLAN FOR A SUBSIDIARY COMPANY TO TAKE OVER SERVICES**

To be moved by Councillor Sinead Engel  
 Seconded by Councillor Vanda Greenwood

This Council notes with grave concern the proposal by Airedale NHS Foundation Trust to form a subsidiary company to deliver a number of services including procurement and commissioning.

This Council instructs the City Solicitor to investigate the implications and legality of this proposal by consulting with the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel as appropriate in relation to:

- 1 the Council's duty to promote the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the district
- 2 the continuing role of the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review health decisions as outlined in the 2000 Local Government Act
- 3 the integration of Health and social care
- 4 the West Yorkshire and Harrogate local Health plan

and will bring a report of its findings back to the Executive for consideration.

The Council directs the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Health outlining our concerns and requesting a review of the proposal by Airedale NHS Foundation Trust.

## **12.6 THE DISTRICT TAKES A STAND AGAINST DANGEROUS DRIVING**

To be moved by Councillor Abdul Jabar  
 Seconded by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe

This Council notes:

- the success of Operation Steerside in reducing speeding, lack of seatbelts, driving under the influence, mobile phone use and uninsured and unlicensed drivers
- dangerous driving continues to be a blight causing misery in all parts of our district
- Together with police, local MPs and partners Bradford is taking action to raise awareness and tackle the causes of dangerous driving through the 'Stop the Danger Drivers' campaign

This Council:

- Supports the actions of Judith Cummins MP who has won road safety charity Brake's parliamentary road safety award for raising this issue on a national level
- Will work together with all local MPs, police and partners to take the campaign to the next level in tackling the issue

- Will work with partners to look at options for extending the successful enforcement and prevention activities
- Will mount a campaign in the run-up to Christmas encouraging people to stay safe at this family time.

**12.7 BRADFORD DEMANDS THE RETURN OF ALL MONIES TAKEN FROM OUR DISTRICT'S SCHOOLS BY WAKEFIELD CITY ACADEMIES TRUST (WCAT)**

To be moved by Councillor Imran Khan

Seconded by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe

This Council notes that:

WCAT was formed with Department for Education (DfE) approval, to be one of a handful of Multi-Academy Trusts (MATs) to spearhead educational improvement in the North.

Despite knowing that the Trust was in an “extremely vulnerable position as a result of inadequate governance, leadership and overall financial management” it was still encouraged to take on further additional vulnerable schools.

Prior to its collapse the Trust had transferred millions of pounds of schools’ funding to its own centralised accounts. Three primary schools and two secondary schools in our district have been affected by this course of action and stand to lose over £2m of our children’s money.

This Council recognises some of the good work and commitment from the DfE through the current Regional Schools Commissioner to work in partnership with the Council to improve education in Bradford. However, with regard to WCAT this council believes that the DfE has failed in its responsibilities to ensure that there is due diligence and as a result of the failure of WCAT, local children have been severely let down and significant resources have disappeared from the schooling system of Bradford.

We demand the government is transparent with the dealings with WCAT and these monies associated with WCAT are returned urgently for the benefit of children in Bradford.

We also seek urgent assurance from the Secretary of State for Education to ensure that these types of situations are not allowed to happen again. So far the DfE has remained silent on this issue and has left it to local authorities and affected schools / new sponsors to highlight the impact and broker solutions.