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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 16 JULY 2019

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall - City Hall, Bradford, City Hall, Bradford, on Tuesday, 16 July 2019 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 21 May 2019 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

(Adrian Tumber – 01274 432435)

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

4. WRITTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LORD MAYOR

(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

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

Ward

(i) Better services for young people in the Bowling area **Bowling &**

Barkerend

(ii) Pedestrianisation of Market Street

City

(iii) Townfield Play Area, Wilsden

Bingley Rural

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

(Fatima Butt - 01274 432227)

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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A question from a member of the public has been received and is contained in **Document “D”**.

(Fatima Butt - 01274 432227)

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

To consider the following 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):

Recommended –

- (1) **That the following non-voting co-opted member be appointed to the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the 2019/20 Municipal Year:**

G Sam Samociuk – former Mental Health Nursing Lecturer

- (2) **That the following co-opted members be appointed to the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the 2019/20 Municipal Year:**

Non-voting:

**Teachers Secondary School Representative: Tom Bright
Voluntary Sector Representative: Kerr Kennedy**

Voting:

**Katherine Haskett – Parent Governor Representative from 16
July 2019**

**Fauzia Raza - Parent Governor Representative from 3
September 2019**

Any further motions to appoint members will be moved at the meeting.

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

To deal with supplementary questions arising from the following 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.*

1. Councillor Richard Dunbar

Would the portfolio holder explain the background and clear-cut benefits behind the proposal for a Bradford-Halifax Greenway following the recent launch of the advocacy document?

2. Councillor Mike Ellis

Could the Leader of the Council confirm how much has been spent by Bradford Council since 2014, to fund non-invasive autopsies through the contract with iGene and what did it cost to terminate the contract with iGene when there was still five years remaining?

3. Councillor David Ward

At the 19th March Council meeting, in a Labour amendment to a Liberal Democrat motion on “off-rolling”, it was acknowledged that off-rolling was an example of “immoral behaviour”. It has also been described by the Children’s Commissioner as being illegal. The amendment stated that “In 2017 data collected evidenced that some schools were ‘off-rolling’ pupils to EHE”. Will the Portfolio holder please provide the names of the schools in Bradford that were identified as being those carrying out immoral and illegal off-rolling?

4. Councillor Kevin Warnes

Does the Leader of Council (a) agree with Extinction Rebellion campaigners across Bradford who state that we are living in the midst of a ‘Climate Emergency’, and (b) accept that Bradford Council and Bradford District need to become net carbon-neutral by 2030; and, if so, what is Bradford Council going to do to reach that goal??

5. Councillor Mohammed Shafiq

Will the portfolio holder join me in celebrating the fantastic achievement by the whole school community at Feversham Primary in my ward and its inspirational young headteacher, following its Outstanding Ofsted judgement. To crown this achievement Naveed Idrees has just won TES national Headteacher of the Year award?

6. Councillor Alan Wainwright

Can the portfolio holder join with me in celebrating the successful community asset transfer for the Valley project in Holme Wood which is great news for the local area?

7. Councillor Debbie Davies

Could the Portfolio Holder for Education, Employment & Skills confirm, how many children with SEND were not allocated school places to begin September 2019 until after Easter this year?

8. Councillor Alan Wainwright

Can I have the latest figures by ward of the amounts collected in business rates?

9. Councillor Joanne Dodds

Can the Leader join with me in thanking all those involved in the commemorations of the 75th anniversary of the Normandy D-Day landings?

10. Councillor Mike Pollard

A recent report showed Bradford was by far the worst from all West Yorkshire local authorities, being ranked 313rd from 326 local authorities across England for collecting Council Tax, meaning a colossal £13,785,000 of Council Tax went uncollected. What is being done to ensure improvements are made in the collection of Council Tax in the future?

11. Councillor Caroline Firth

Does the portfolio holder join me in welcoming the emergence of plastic-free communities across the district, particularly the newly forming Plastic Free East Morton and Plastic Free Riddlesden groups in my ward? How can the council support these groups to thrive?

12. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland

In the light of the broadcast of shocking footage of the abuse of vulnerable people living in Wharleton Hall can the Portfolio Holder advise members what safeguards does the Council have in place to protect the safety, welfare and human rights of its citizens in placements in specialist disability or mental health wards both in and out of the district whose situation has rendered them highly vulnerable?

13. Councillor Michelle Swallow

Please would the portfolio holder outline the strategy to deal with rats which is a cause of concern on several levels including that of public health?

14. Councillor Russell Brown

Can the Leader of the Council confirm whether the council any plans to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the moon landings and promote the contributions engineers in Keighley made to the wider endeavours of NASA in the subsequent lunar exploration program?

15. Councillor Kamran Hussain

Can the portfolio holder reassure me that that schools who are on our list as being accessible for disabled children are fulfilling their obligation in maintaining their provisions which are in place?

16. Councillor Rizwana Jamil

Does the portfolio holder for education, employment and skills join me in congratulating Carlton Bolling College in our ward for its latest achievement in winning a Silver award?

17. Councillor Kyle Green

In light of the fact that neighbouring Councils have recognised the impracticality and damaging nature of introducing Car Parking Charges in outer towns, such as Wetherby and Brighouse, does this Council yet recognise the need to scrap plans for the introduction of new parking charges in Ilkley from 29 July 2019?

18. Councillor Ralph Berry

Can the portfolio holder outline what steps can be taken to address the ongoing problem of untaxed and uninsured vehicles parked in residential streets in Bradford?

19. Councillor Fozia Shaheen

Could the portfolio holder give me an update as to the number of older people we have supported to stay in their own homes rather than in residential care or hospital and how have we done this?

20. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland

There have been a number of fires in West Yorkshire resulting in death or serious injury involving vulnerable people. Can the Portfolio Holder advise what steps have been taken to ensure proper follow-up of reports from the Fire Service following 'Safe at Home' visits and has lack of communications by and between agencies exacerbated the risk to vulnerable people?

21. Councillor Richard Dunbar

Would the leader join me in condemning the recent surge in homophobic and transphobic hate crimes and provide reassurance about what action is being taken by Council and partners to support and protect the LGBT+ community in Bradford?

22. Councillor Jackie Whiteley

In light of the fact that mental ill health amongst young people is not a phenomena only affecting the disadvantaged and Mental Health services for young people are overstretched in Bradford, with the youth service being asked to support young people in the district, will the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing confirm that youth provision will be maintained in outlying villages including Burley in Wharfedale and Menston?

23. Councillor Fozia Shaheen

Could the portfolio holder tell me how the council supports start-ups and growing businesses, who entrepreneurs can contact if they would like such support to set up a business and what is the process?

24. Councillor Kevin Warnes

Will the Leader of Council ensure that a 20mph, traffic-calmed zone is

introduced in central Shipley (on streets including Birklands Road, Birklands Terrace, Castle Road, Cross Banks, Hall Royd, Manor Lane, Selborne Terrace, Sunny Bank and Westcliffe Road), before works commence on widening the junction at the intersection of Otley Road and Bradford Road?

25. Councillor Caroline Firth

Can the portfolio holder join me in congratulating Keighley-based business Keybury Fire and Security for being what is thought to be the first company in its sector to be named a plastic-free champion by Surfers Against Sewage?

26. Councillor Jackie Whiteley

Will the Portfolio Holder for Education, Employment and Skills, please commit to a review of school procedures, regarding children who are excluded from school and those who are subject to isolation in school, with the latter being up to 8 hours in duration, as this can affect the individuals mental health?

27. Councillor Michelle Swallow

Please would the portfolio holder explain what strategies the Council is going to employ to get our city pavements looking nice with particular problems being gum and cigarette butts?

28. Councillor Fozia Shaheen

Mental ill health is increasing amongst the youth with increasing numbers of referrals. Could the portfolio holder give me an update in regards to what are we doing with partners to better meet the needs of these young people?

29. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland

How many people who are medically certified as having a permanent condition that severely affects their intellectual and social functioning are in receipt of a Council Tax discount? How many annual reviews have taken place and how many resulted in a change in their personal circumstances which means they are no longer eligible to receive the discount and what where the reasons for the withdrawal of benefit?

30. Councillor Suhail Choudhry

Can the Leader tell me how we are supporting the police to tackle knife crime given the terrible incident in my ward of Bolton & Undercliffe recently?

31. Councillor Debbie Davies

Could the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport confirm why he thinks increasing parking charges in small towns and villages is a good idea, when shops are closing due to lack of footfall?

32. Councillor Kamran Hussain

Can the portfolio holder tell me how many children have been excluded from schools and are currently waiting for another school placement?

33. Councillor Michelle Swallow

I'm sure all of us in our District would want our road users, whether drivers, cyclists, pedestrians or others, to be safe, however, despite targeted work by West Yorkshire Police it is still a major issue so please would the portfolio holder comment on progress so far to deal with arrogant, dangerous drivers? Can you also provide an update on the roll-out of the 20mph zones?

34. Councillor John Pennington

Could the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning and Transport confirm why the income from fines for parking at Bradford Central library, is more than double the income from people buying tickets?

35. Councillor Kamran Hussain

Can the portfolio holder tell me how many people are being supported by the specialist domestic violence and abuse service and how well it is managing to keep up with demand?

36. Councillor Alun Griffiths

Has the council been in receipt of any complaints from members of the public about drivers of Taxis or private hire vehicles refusing to allow assistance dogs to be carried in their vehicles?

37. Councillor Aneela Ahmed

With the recent announcement of the £1m Lottery funding boost for the Bradford Live project, can the portfolio holder give us the latest update as excitement is continuing to build around the scheme?

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

11.1 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2018/19 3 - 18

At the meeting of the Governance and Audit Committee held on 28 June 2019 consideration was given to the report of the Director of Finance (**Governance and Audit Committee Document "D"**) presenting the Annual Treasury Management Report 2018/19.

Recommended –

That the Annual Treasury Management Report 2018/19 be adopted.

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

11.2 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE - MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2020/21 TO 2022/23 AND BEYOND 19 - 44

The Medium Term Financial Strategy focuses on how the Council intends to respond to the forecasted public sector funding reductions. It sets out the approaches and principles the Council will follow to ensure

the Council remains financially viable and delivers on its priorities. At its meeting on 9 July 2019 the Executive considered the report of the Director of Finance (**Executive Document “J”**) and referred the report to Council.

Recommended –

That having considered the Medium Term Financial Strategy as an assessment of the Council’s financial outlook to 2022/23 and beyond, and a framework for it to remain financially viable and deliver sustainable public services in line with its priorities and the principles, the updated and revised Medium Term Financial Strategy at Appendix 1 to Executive Document “J” be approved.

(Tom Caselton – 01274 434472)

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

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

12.1 SCHOOL STREETS

To be moved by Councillor Kevin Warnes
Seconded by Councillor Martin Love

Council notes that parking around our schools:

- a) is a major environmental and social problem that affects many communities across Bradford District;
- b) contributes to significant local traffic congestion and air pollution (with some schools located in areas currently affected by illegal levels of air pollution);
- c) creates avoidable health and safety risks for children and families, partly due to the incidence of pavement parking that is a feature of parking around schools;
- d) undermines the amenity of nearby residents;
- e) persists despite the existence of adequate parking further away from most school premises;
- f) is already partly restricted near many school entrances by the use of yellow zig-zag and double yellow lines.

Council also notes that:

- g) School Streets are an extended form of parking restriction, whereby the roads around a school are temporarily closed to (most) vehicles on each school day, during set times (drop-off and pick up);
- h) many roads are potentially suitable for being turned into School Streets, though some are not (ie main roads that have significant volumes of through traffic or are public transport

routes);

- i) community support is an essential element of a successful School Streets scheme, including the willing engagement of school staff, pupils and their parents, nearby residents and (where relevant) local businesses;
- j) candidate schools for a School Street will, ideally, already have relatively high levels of active travel (walking and cycling);
- k) School Streets schemes are already being implemented by a number of councils (examples include Camden, Edinburgh, Greenwich, Hackney, Islington, Solihull and Southwark);
- l) the evidence from schemes implemented to date indicates that School Streets demonstrate high levels of compliance, reduce the number of children driven to school and increase the number of children who walk to school, cut air pollution and improve public perceptions of safety in the vicinity of the school premises.

Council therefore:

- 1) requests that officers incorporate consideration of, and funding for, a School Streets pilot programme into our broader strategic planning for improving air quality in Bradford District, and that this preparatory work is completed by the end of October 2019;
- 2) requests that officers submit an outline feasibility report for consideration by the relevant overview and scrutiny committees (Health and Social Care; Regeneration and Environment) before the end of October 2019;
- 3) requests that, taking into account any recommendations from the overview and scrutiny committees, officers invite all schools in the District in early 2020 to apply to be part of our School Streets pilot programme, with a view to (a) finalising arrangements for this scheme by 'Walk to School Week' in May 2020 and (b) implementing it from September 2020.

12.2 ZERO EMISSION VEHICLES

To be moved by Councillor Adrian Naylor
Seconded by Councillor Anne Hawkesworth

Council notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Bradford Council has been given a Ministerial Direction to draw up a plan to drastically improve air quality. In October Bradford Council was given a year to draw up plans to try to reduce pollution in the district, after it emerged that nitrogen dioxide levels on some roads were unlikely to reach legal levels until

2027.

Council resolves:

In order to support the existing initiatives being developed and as suitable alternative zero emission vehicles already exist this Council instructs the Chief Executive to draw up and implement plans to ensure that all buses and taxis operating in the district are zero emission vehicles by 2025 or before.

12.3 OFSTED INSPECTION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

To be moved by Councillor Jeanette Sunderland

Seconded by Councillor Susan Knox

Council believes that the welfare of the 4000 children in our care is of the utmost importance to us as Councillors and notes the decision of the Council led by the Leader of Council and the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services in December 2018 to "oversee rapid and sustainable improvement in children's social care".

This Council is therefore disappointed to read that the monitoring visit of Bradford local authority children's services by OFSTED, published on the 4th July, which shows that Her Majesty's Inspector found the pace of improvement was "slow for the children in need of the help and protection services" there are "delays in children in need and children in need of protection having their needs identified and addressed" and that the vast majority of the area of social work support being scrutinised remaining "inadequate".

This Council requires the Lead Member to make public a report detailing the work done by the Children's Social Care Improvement Board and identify what further steps need to be taken to ensure that the "rapid and sustainable improvement in children's social care" promised in December 2018 can be delivered.

12.4 ALTERNATIVE PROVISION FOR EDUCATION

To be moved by Councillor David Ward

Seconded by Councillor Julie Humphreys

A recent report entitled 'Making the Difference – breaking the link between school exclusion and social exclusion', submitted to the House of Commons Education Select Committee as part of its Inquiry into Alternative Provision identified that the level of educational attainment and life chances of young people excluded from school were amongst the lowest of any group.

The report presented evidence that less than 1% of children excluded from school achieved 5 A* GCSEs and 63% of prisoners had been excluded at some point in their education with 43% of Youth Offenders having being excluded. Disproportionately excluded children and young people are either from poor backgrounds, have Special Educational Needs, are Looked After Children or are from other vulnerable groups.

The report also presented research findings that many children were simply 'lost' i.e. schools had lost contact altogether with children and that there was also clear evidence of undue pressure applied to some parents by schools to consider removing their child from the school and to instead have Elective Home Education.

Recommendation:

In the light of these disturbing findings the Council directs the Strategic Director for Children's Services to carry out an investigation into Alternative Provision in Bradford to assess the quality of the provision across the District and to identify areas needing to be improved to provide the very best system for the provision of Alternative Provision.

12.5 THE FUTURE OF BRADFORD'S BUS SERVICES

To be moved by Councillor Geoff Reid

Seconded by Councillor Julie Humphreys

This Council believes that,

Bradford's bus network plays a vital role in the District's economy, the creation of a healthy environment and the well-being of Bradford citizens. Thousands of Bradford residents depend on the bus services to get them to and from school, college, work and other day to day tasks and activities. The loss of a bus service can have a devastating impact on local communities and this is often felt most by young people who have no other means of transport as well as the elderly. This can contribute to further isolation and deterioration in mental health.

This Council Notes,

The intention of First Group PLC to end its ownership of its UK bus companies as well as the indications from Deutsche Bahn that it is seeking to sell its Arriva operations in the UK constitutes a serious risk to the viability of many bus services across the District.

Following a reduction in funding from Councils including Bradford, West Yorkshire Combined Authority has already announced plans to reduce its financial support for bus services by more than £3 million pounds over the next three years.

It is highly unlikely that any alternative operators would be willing to take over the West Yorkshire commercial networks of First and Arriva as discrete entities and such drastic withdrawals would inevitably lead to fragmentation and loss of routes and patronage.

The situation raises huge questions about West Yorkshire Combined Authority's strategic target of 25% increase in usage over 10 years and the claims made for the benefits of a formal Alliance with bus operators.

This change in circumstances should be taken as an opportunity to consider radically different models for running bus services should begin immediately within the District and within West Yorkshire.

This Council resolves:

- to work alongside the West Yorkshire Combined Authority to ensure that bus services across the district are maintained during this period of change.
- to investigate and bring for plans to support the continuation of comprehensive bus service across the district. It should take into account the franchising system which operates in London and the successes of the handful of local authorities who run their own bus companies.
- to bring back to the relevant committee a plan for Council action to maintain a stable bus network that residents young and old can rely upon.

12.6 USE OF GLYPHOSATE HERBICIDES BY CBMDC

To be moved by Councillor Alun Griffiths
Seconded by Councillor Riaz Ahmed

This Council notes the debate concerning the possible harmful effects of glyphosate is continuing to take place within organisations, including governmental bodies, across the globe. While accepting that glyphosate-based weed killers are licensed for use in the UK, are widely used and are effective, this Council notes in particular:

- The World Health Organisation's finding that glyphosate is a probable human carcinogen;
- Studies suggesting a link between glyphosate and certain liver diseases;
- Studies showing a high correlation between glyphosate use and a wide range of neurological conditions;
- Recent court cases in the US where juries have accepted a link between glyphosate use and instances of cancer and awarded enormous sums in damages;
- Studies showing the detrimental effects of glyphosate on honey bees and other beneficial organisms;
- The (non-binding) vote of the European Parliament to restrict the use of glyphosate in EU member states and introduce a ban in 2022, and
- The actions of numerous governmental bodies in banning or restricting the use of glyphosate.

This Council therefore

Requests the Regeneration and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee to commission and publish a report covering these issues, the steps taken to protect both staff and the public from harm and examines alternative measures for weed control with a view to making recommendations for the reduction or cessation of Glyphosate use.

12.7 **BRADFORD STANDS UP TO ISLAMOPHOBIA**

To be moved by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe

Seconded by Councillor Imran Khan

Bradford is a welcoming, friendly place. We stand up against prejudice in all its forms. Everyone in Bradford District should be able to be who they are and to live a fulfilling life here. We have a commitment to eradicate all acts of hatred.

Research by the late Jed Din of Bradford Hate Crime Alliance entitled "Understanding Islamophobia and Anti-Muslim Hate in Bradford" published in 2017 found that "feelings of mistrust, not being treated equally and lack of respect from wider society is something that impacts aspects of [Muslims'] day to day lives." Consequently a "Joint Islamophobia Definition Working Group" was set up. Convened by Cllr Abdul Jabar, this Group included Bradford Hate Crime Alliance and the Bradford Council for Mosques and has been meeting since to craft a working definition for Bradford, all the while consulting with a range of people locally and nationally including academics, Imams, religious scholars and professionals to inform the development of the definition.

The resulting definition of Islamophobia is not a legal definition in its own right but builds on the current legislation and practice with the aim of ensuring that hatred and discrimination against people of the Islamic faith is eliminated in society.

The Bradford definition is as follows:

"Islamophobia is a direct or indirect act(s) of hatred and discrimination against people (individuals or groups) of Islamic faith on grounds of their belief and practice.

This could manifest in:

- 1. Inciting or carrying out acts of hatred and violence against people of the Islamic faith (Muslims).**
- 2. Direct or indirect acts of discrimination including policy and practice within organisations, which deny Muslims legitimate and fair access to opportunities, facilities and services because of their faith, beliefs and practice.**
- 3. Denying people of the Islamic faith the opportunity to practise their faith values, free of harassment, fear of violence against them or fear of incurring discrimination**

and hatred against them.

- 4. Actions which perpetuate a climate of mistrust, fear and a sense of marginalisation about or within the Islamic community e.g. remarks by individuals and groups that can be made without fear of being held to account. Also use of print, social or electronic media to align and create fear and division surrounding the Muslim community.”**

It is not enough just to define Islamophobia, we must also act to combat it wherever it is found. So this Council resolves to:

1. Accept the Bradford definition.
2. Work with Hate Crime Reporting centres in Bradford (28) to encourage reporting wherever incidents occur.
3. Instruct council officers to work with educational establishments outside school hours (supplementary schools) to arrange information on Islamophobia awareness.
4. Use the opportunity of the Hope Not Hate Event on 15th August, City Park – to raise awareness of Islamophobia.
5. Arrange talks at schools/community centres on Islamophobia to raise awareness across the district and particularly during Hate Crime Awareness Week 12th to 19th October.

12.8 BRADFORD DISTRICT RENEWS ITS COMMITMENT TO FAIRTRADE

To be moved by Councillor Adrian Farley
Seconded by Councillor Abdul Jabar

This Council notes that:

- Bradford is a Fairtrade Zone and has been for over 10 years. We want to show our commitment as a local authority by renewing our Fairtrade Community status at Full Council.
- 2019 marks 25 years since the Fairtrade Mark was launched in the UK.
- Since 1994, consumer demand for Fairtrade has grown thanks to the efforts of grassroots campaigners, and pioneering Fairtrade businesses.
- There are now over 600 Fairtrade Communities in the UK and more than 2,000 globally.
- As a result of Fairtrade commitments from mainstream brands and retailers, the UK Fairtrade market is now one of the biggest in the world.
- Global Fairtrade sales last year generated £142 million in Fairtrade Premium. Farmers in 73 countries have invested this money in their communities, increasing business productivity and contributing to the achievement of the global Sustainable

Development Goals (SDGs).

- Despite this positive news, exploitation remains rampant in global supply chains. More than 40 million people are trapped in modern slavery, including forced labour, and 152 million young people in child labour. Hundreds of millions more are earning less than a living income or wage.

This Council believes that:

- Fairtrade and the wider Fairtrade movement has a significant contribution to make towards ending exploitation in global supply chains and achieving the SDGs.
- The recently agreed [International Fairtrade Charter](#) should be welcomed, with its vision of transforming trade to work for people and planet.
- The Fairtrade principles of paying a 'premium' that is wholly managed by farmers and workers themselves, and of minimum prices to protect producers from market volatility, are crucial to systemic change.
- Public bodies, including local authorities, should support ethical procurement policies, using their purchasing power to support Fairtrade and ensure their supply chains, at home and abroad, are free of exploitation, including modern slavery.
- Companies operating through global supply chains should go further and take steps to require the payment of living wages and achievement of living incomes for all.

This Council resolves to:

- Renew its commitment to 'Fairtrade Community' status.
- Actively promote Fairtrade locally, through support for local groups, in the media including social media, and events, including during Fairtrade Fortnight.
- Support local Fairtrade Schools and FE/HE institutions, and actively promote Fairtrade teaching materials in local schools and educational institutions.
- Celebrate and incentivise businesses championing Fairtrade products in the local community.
- Review its procurement policy, including its catering offer, to ensure that Fairtrade produce is chosen wherever possible, and that Fairtrade considerations are included as a preference in any contracts going out to tender.

12.9 CALLING ON THE NEW PRIME MINISTER TO INVEST IN BRADFORD

To be moved by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe
Seconded by Councillor Imran Khan

This Council notes:

- The Conservative Party will shortly elect its new leader and therefore decide the country's new Prime Minister.
- The Bradford District is a great place for any government to invest in. We have a large and diverse young population, we are conveniently located at the heart of the Northern Powerhouse and globally connected. We are ambitious to achieve inclusive, clean growth for all our communities and businesses.
- Councils have lost 60p out of every £1 (60%) due to Government cuts since 2010, resulting in an unprecedented loss of public services and facilities across the country including over 500 children's centres and 475 libraries and a funding crisis in children's and adult social care.
- Due to the government cuts since 2010 Bradford Council has had to find £278m of cuts and reductions.

Council resolves to:

- Invite the new Prime Minister to visit Bradford in order to recognise Bradford's key role in the Northern Powerhouse.
- Push for significant new funding and support to realise our ambitions for better transport infrastructure, more money for early help and prevention, schools and skills, all leading to better jobs and opportunities for all.
- Call on the new Prime Minister to finally end his government's national austerity programme once and for all and instead to invest in the North in order to realise its true potential.

12.10 MENTAL HEALTH GATEWAY TO BRADFORD, PASSPORT TO LEISURE AND FREE TRAVEL

To be moved by Councillor Robert Hargreaves

Seconded by Councillor John Pennington

Council notes:

1. The significant rise in Mental Health issues within the district, wider region and country as a whole and the need for urgent action to support sufferers
2. The NHS offers 5 evidence-based steps to good mental wellbeing, 4 of which are; 'Connect', 'Be Active', 'Keep Learning' and 'Give To Others'. Travel is an essential part of achieving these steps, especially for those in the outer reaches of the district and free travel will be essential for those living in poverty, which in itself is a major factor in mental health issues. Cheaper

access to leisure facilities would also play a significant part in helping mental health patients improve their mental wellbeing. (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/improve-mental-wellbeing/>)

3. Government policy on Mental Health states that the NHS has set out to achieve 'parity of esteem' between mental and physical health, in terms of access to services, quality of care and allocation of resources.

Council resolves to:

Work with our partner agencies to carry out an expeditious review of support provided to Mental Health patients registered within the Bradford District Healthcare system, with a view to providing additional support, including measures such as access to 3-year Bradford Leisure Cards for patients and companions.

12.11 SUPPORT FOR VETERANS

To be moved by Councillor Paul Sullivan
Seconded by Councillor Mike Ellis

Council notes:

- The excellent work undertaken by Council Officers and Partner Organisations prior to and since the Council's adoption of the Bradford District Armed Forces Community Covenant, culminating in the Council receiving a Silver Award from the Ministry of Defence's Employer Recognition Scheme.
- That sadly a significant number of those eligible for services and support from the Council and Partners are unaware of this.
- That some of the services made available to the Armed Forces Community are only available for 5 years.

Council resolves to:

- have appropriate Council Officers and elected members, meet with representatives of the local Armed Forces Community, possibly at a meeting of the Veterans' Breakfast Club, to discuss how to improve awareness and take up of the services provided
- investigate the feasibility of increasing the benefits available, by making them available throughout the Veterans' lives, rather than for 5 years
- provide free use of facilities included in the (Bradford Encouraging Exercise in People) scheme
- consider any further recommendations arising from the meeting with the Armed Forces community

12.12 CLIMATE COMMITMENTS

To be moved by Councillor Kyle Green
Seconded by Councillor Mike Ellis

Council notes:

- That a key component of the European Commission's Building Blocks for a Greenhouse Gas Neutral Economy by 2050 is acknowledgement of "the need to embrace a clean mobility system, electrification being a promising option for many transport modes, while other alternatives include hydrogen, advanced biofuels and e-fuels. Smart urban planning and traffic management, together with alternative modes of private mobility and clean public transport, will also play an important role, especially in cities".
- The United Kingdom Government's own recent commitment to the United Kingdom becoming greenhouse gas neutral by 2050.
- The Leeds City region, Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) decision to adopt a new energy strategy and delivery plan which adopts the ambitions of the Paris Agreement.
- The Council's Climate Emergency & Green Economy resolution earlier this year acknowledged a climate emergency, affirmed a desire to "go further faster" than required by the Council's self imposed targets and listed "increasing the proportion of EV Hybrid Vehicles in use in the council fleet and supporting roll out of EV points across the district to help promote uptake of electrical vehicle use", as a key priority.

Council resolves:

To instruct the Chief Executive to bring forward a report to the Council Meeting of 15 October 2019, detailing the locations of existing and soon to be installed electric vehicle charging points, sites identified as next steps, with projections and ambitious commitments for the numbers and locations (across all wards) of charging points on a year by year basis, for the next 10 years

12.13 COUNCIL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

To be moved by Councillor Jackie Whiteley
Seconded by Councillor Kyle Green

Given that this council has invested 6.4 million pounds of Council Tax payers money to buy the Moors Centre in Ilkley at a time when retail landlords nationally are seeing their returns squeezed by struggling retailers, this Council notes:

1. The Council as a landlord in Ilkley has a vested interest in economic stability and growth in the town.
2. Has a duty to make the investment provide a return at least as great as other available options open to a Council
3. The importance of establishing a quantifiable baseline measurement of the current business success in Ilkley. This measure should then be used to analyse the effect of the implementation of changes to parking availability and cost in the town.
4. This Council should undertake these assessments at three monthly intervals to ensure that any adverse affects can be remedied quickly to prevent future distress to the business community.
5. The importance of working with the independent Board of The Ilkley Bid who are in contact with traders in the town.

13. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19

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The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018/19 (**Document “G”**) summarises the achievements and contributions made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committees over the last year.

Recommended –

That the report be endorsed.

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